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Variable Name	Question	Weighted %
age	How old are you?	<u>Q1</u>
	1 12 years or younger	0.1
	2 13 years old	0.3
	3 14 years old	15.5
	4 15 years old	28.9
	5 16 years old	26.7
	6 17 years old	20.0
	7 18 years old or older	8.6
sex	What is your sex?	<u>Q2</u>
	1 Female	50.5
	2 Male	49.5
Grade*	In what grade are you?	<u>Q3</u>
	1 9th grade	37.5
	2 10th grade	27.8
	3 11th grade	21.9
	4 12th grade	12.7
	5 ungraded	0.2
race97*	How do you describe yourself?	<u>Q4</u>
	1 White	27.7
	2 Black or African American	24.3
	3 Hispanic or Latino	25.9
	4 <b>Asian or Pacific Islander (differs from all other years)</b>	12.6
	5 Am Indian / Alaskan Native	0.9
	6 Other	8.7
seatbelt	How often do you wear a seat belt when riding in a car driven by someone else?	<u>Q5</u>
	1 Never	12.3
	2 Rarely	21.5
	3 Sometimes	26.9
	4 Most of the time	23.1
	5 Always	16.2
motorcy	During the past 12 months, how many times did you ride a motorcycle?	<u>Q6</u>
	1 0 times	88.3
	2 1 to 10 times	8.3
	3 11 to 20 times	1.3
	4 21 to 39 times	0.4
	5 40 or more times	1.6
Helmet_m	When you rode a motorcycle during the past 12 months, how often did you wear a helmet?	<u>Q7</u>
	1 Did not ride in past 12 months	87.8
	2 Never	3.6
	3 Rarely	1.2
	4 Sometimes	1.6
	5 Most of the time	1.1
	6 Always	4.6
bicycle	During the past 12 months, how many times did you ride a bicycle?	<u>Q8</u>
	1 0 times	28.3
	2 1 to 10 times	33.2
	3 11 to 20 times	13.0
	4 21 to 39 times	7.5
	5 40 or more times	18.0

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Helmet_b	When you rode a bicycle during the past 12 months, how often did you wear a helmet? 1 Did not ride in past 12 months 2 Never 3 Rarely 4 Sometimes 5 Most of the time 6 Always	<u>Q9</u> 27.2 62.3 3.8 2.3 1.7 2.7
Driv_alc	During the past 30 days, how many times did you ride in a car or other vehicle driven by someone who had been drinking alcohol? 1 0 times 2 1 time 3 2 or 3 times 4 4 or 5 times 5 6 or more times	<u>Q10</u> 77.3 8.8 7.3 1.9 4.7
Driv_drk	During the past 30 days, how many times did you drive a car or other vehicle when you had been drinking alcohol? 1 0 times 2 1 time 3 2 or 3 times 4 4 or 5 times 5 6 or more times	<u>Q11</u> 95.3 1.4 2.1 0.2 1.0
Weapon	During the past 30 days, on how many days did you carry a weapon such as a gun, knife or club? 1 0 days 2 1 day 3 2 or 3 days 4 4 or 5 days 5 6 or more days	<u>Q12</u> 81.8 4.3 4.4 2.4 7.1
gun	During the past 30 days, on how many days did you carry a gun? 1 0 days 2 1 day 3 2 or 3 days 4 4 or 5 days 5 6 or more days	<u>Q13</u> 95.8 1.4 0.9 0.4 1.5
Wepn_sch	During the past 30 days, on how many days did you carry a weapon such as a gun, knife, or club on school property? 1 0 days 2 1 day 3 2 or 3 days 4 4 or 5 days 5 6 or more days	<u>Q14</u> 90.7 3.3 1.7 0.9 3.4
Unsafe	During the past 30 days, on how many days did you not go to school because you felt you would be unsafe at school or on your way to or from school? 1 0 days 2 1 day 3 2 or 3 days 4 4 or 5 days 5 6 or more days	<u>Q15</u> 92.4 3.6 2.1 0.4 1.5

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threats	During the past 12 months, how many times has someone threatened or injured you with a weapon such as a gun, knife, or club on school property? 1 0 time 2 1 time 3 2 or 3 times 4 4 or 5 times 5 6 or 7 times 6 8 or 9 times 7 10 or 11 times 8 12 or more times	<u>Q16</u> 92.5 4.1 2.1 0.3 0.2 0.1 0.04 0.8
Stolen	During the past 12 months, how many times has someone stolen or deliberately damaged your property such as your car, clothing, or nooks on school property? 1 0 time 2 1 time 3 2 or 3 times 4 4 or 5 times 5 6 or 7 times 6 8 or 9 times 7 10 or 11 times 8 12 or more times	<u>Q17</u> 73.9 15.6 8.1 0.8 0.5 0.4 0.04 0.7
Fights	During the past 12 months, how many times were you in a physical fight? 1 0 time 2 1 time 3 2 or 3 times 4 4 or 5 times 5 6 or 7 times 6 8 or 9 times 7 10 or 11 times 8 12 or more times	<u>Q18</u> 65.4 14.7 12.0 3.4 1.2 0.6 0.3 2.3
hurtyou	During the past 12 months, how many times were you in a physical fight in which you were injured and had to be treated by a doctor or nurse? 1 0 times 2 1 time 3 2 or 3 times 4 4 or 5 times 5 6 or more times	<u>Q19</u> 96.5 2.6 0.5 0.1 0.3
Fight_sc	During the past 12 months, how many times were you in a physical fight on school property? 1 0 time 2 1 time 3 2 or 3 times 4 4 or 5 times 5 6 or 7 times 6 8 or 9 times 7 10 or 11 times 8 12 or more times	<u>Q20</u> 88.5 7.1 2.9 0.8 0.1 0.1 0.1 0.5
Who_fght	The last time you were in a physical fight, with whom did you fight? 1 Never been in fight 2 Total stranger 3 Friend/someone I know 4 Boy/girlfriend or date 5 Family member 6 Some not listed above 7 More than one of the persons	<u>Q21</u> 37.1 10.4 29.2 1.9 12.1 4.9 4.4

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suicide1	During the past 12 months, did you ever seriously consider attempting suicide?	<u>Q22</u>
	1 Yes	16.8
	2 No	83.2
suicide2	During the past 12 months, did you make a plan about how you would attempt suicide?	<u>Q23</u>
	1 Yes	13.8
	2 No	86.7
suicide3	During the past 12 months, how many times did you actually attempt suicide?	<u>Q24</u>
	1 0 times	92.2
	2 1 time	4.0
	3 2 or 3 times	2.5
	4 4 or 5 times	0.4
	5 6 or more times	0.9
suicide4	If you attempted suicide during the past 12 months, did any attempt result in an injury, poisoning, or overdose that had to be treated by a doctor or nurse?	<u>Q25</u>
	1 Did not attempt suicide	92.1
	2 Yes	2.5
	3 No	5.4
ever_smk	Have you ever tried cigarette smoking, even one or two puffs?	<u>Q26</u>
	1 Yes	59.9
	2 No	40.1
age_smk	How old were you when you smoked a whole cigarette for the first time?	<u>Q27</u>
	1 Never smoked a cigarette	53.4
	2 8 years old or younger	2.3
	3 9 or 10 years old	3.8
	4 11 or 12 years old	12.2
	5 13 or 14 years old	18.6
	6 15 or 16 years old	8.7
	7 17 years old or older	1.0
Smk_days	During the past 30 days, on how many days did you smoke cigarettes?	<u>Q28</u>
	1 0 days	76.6
	2 1 or 2 days	5.9
	3 3 to 5 days	3.2
	4 6 to 9 days	2.0
	5 10 to 19 days	2.5
	6 20 to 29 days	2.5
	7 All 30 days	7.2
numcigs	During the past 30 days, on the days you smoked, how many cigarettes did you smoke per day?	<u>Q29</u>
	1 Did not smoke cigarettes	75.8
	2 Less than 1 cigarette	5.0
	3 1 cigarette	4.5
	4 2 to 5 cigarettes	8.6
	5 6 to 10 cigarettes	2.9
	6 11 to 20 cigarettes	2.0
	7 More than 20 cigarettes	1.1
Getcigs*	During the past 30 days, how did you usually get your own cigarettes?	<u>Q30</u>
	1 Did not smoke cigarettes	74.6
	2 Store (or gas station)	12.2
	3 Vending machine	0.3
	4 Gave money to someone else to buy for me	2.1
	5 Borrowed them from someone	8.2
	6 Stole them	0.6
	7 Some other way	2.1

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Proofage*	When you bought or tried to buy cigarettes in a store during the past 30 days, were you ever asked to show proof of age? 1 Did not smoke cigarettes 2 Did not buy cigarettes in a store 3 Yes, asked for proof if age 4 No, was not asked for proof of age	<u>Q31</u>  71.2 8.5 6.9 13.4
smkatsch	During the past 30 days, on how many days did you smoke cigarettes on school property? 1 0 days 2 1 or 2 days 3 3 to 5 days 4 6 to 9 days 5 10 to 19 days 6 20 to 29 days 7 All 30 days	<u>Q32</u>  85.6 3.8 2.2 1.0 2.0 1.3 4.0
Tryquit*	Did you ever try to quit smoking cigarettes? 1 Yes 2 No	<u>Q33</u>  31.9 68.1
snuff	During the past 30 days, on how many days did you use chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip, such as Redman, Levi Garrett, Beechnut, Skoal, Skoal Bandits, or Copenhagen? 1 0 days 2 1 or 2 days 3 3 to 5 days 4 6 to 9 days 5 10 to 19 days 6 20 to 29 days 7 All 30 days	<u>Q34</u>  98.4 0.9 0.1 0.2 0.1 0.0 0.3
Snuff_sc	During the past 30 days, on how many days did you use chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip on school property? 1 0 days 2 1 or 2 days 3 3 to 5 days 4 6 to 9 days 5 10 to 19 days 6 20 to 29 days 7 All 30 days	<u>Q35</u>  98.4 0.9 0.1 0.2 0.0 0.1 0.3
Ever_alc	During your life, on how many days have you had at least one drink of alcohol? 1 0 days 2 1 or 2 days 3 3 to 9 days 4 10 to 19 days 5 20 to 39 days 6 40 to 99 days 7 100 or more days	<u>Q37</u>  29.6 16.9 17.2 10.1 10.3 7.9 9.5
Age_alc	How old were you when you had your first drink of alcohol other than a few sips? 1 Never other than a few sips 2 8 years old or younger 3 9 or 10 years old 4 11 or 12 years old 5 13 or 14 years old 6 15 or 16 years old 7 17 years old or older	<u>Q36</u>  28.9 9.5 7.4 13.6 26.6 12.3 1.8

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Days_alc	During the past 30 days, on how many days did you have at least one drink of alcohol?	<u>Q38</u>
	1    0 days	60.3
	2    1 or 2 days	20.5
	3    3 to 5 days	9.5
	4    6 to 9 days	5.2
	5    10 to 19 days	2.9
	6    20 to 29 days	0.7
	7    All 30 days	0.9
binge	During the past 30 days, on how many days did you have 5 or more drinks of alcohol in a row, that is, within a couple of hours?	<u>Q39</u>
	1    0 days	81.6
	2    1 day	7.7
	3    2 days	4.1
	4    3 to 5 days	3.0
	5    6 to 9 days	1.7
	6    10 to 19 days	1.0
	7    20 or more days	0.9
Alc_sch	During the past 30 days, on how many days did you have at least one drink of alcohol on school property?	<u>Q40</u>
	1    0 days	94.8
	2    1 or 2 days	3.2
	3    3 to 5 days	0.7
	4    6 to 9 days	0.5
	5    10 to 19 days	0.2
	6    20 to 29 days	0.1
	7    All 30 days	0.4
marijuan	During your life, how many times have you used marijuana?	<u>Q42</u>
	1    0 times	68.8
	2    1 or 2 times	7.5
	3    3 to 9 times	7.5
	4    10 to 19 times	4.1
	5    20 to 39 times	3.1
	6    40 to 99 times	3.6
	7    100 or more times	5.6
Age_mj	How old were you when your tried marijuana for the first time?	<u>Q41</u>
	1    Never tried	68.6
	2    8 yrs or younger	1.0
	3    9 or 10 years	1.2
	4    11 or 12 years	5.0
	5    13 or 14 years	14.6
	6    15 or 16 years	8.3
	7    17 yrs or older	1.2
days_mj	During the past 30 days, how many times did you use marijuana?	<u>Q43</u>
	1    0 times	84.3
	2    1 or 2 times	5.9
	3    3 to 9 times	3.5
	4    10 to 19 times	2.3
	5    20 to 39 times	1.8
	6    40 or more times	2.3

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Mj_sch	During the past 30 days, how many times did you use marijuana on school property? 1 0 times 2 1 or 2 times 3 3 to 9 times 4 10 to 19 times 5 20 to 39 times 6 40 or more times	<u>Q44</u> 93.0 2.6 2.2 1.0 0.4 0.9
cocaine	During your life, how many times have you used any form of cocaine, including powder, crack, or freebase? 1 0 times 2 1 or 2 times 3 3 to 9 times 4 10 to 19 times 5 20 to 39 times 6 40 or more times	<u>Q46</u> 96.7 1.5 0.5 0.4 0.1 0.8
Dys_coke	During the past 30 days, how many times did you use any form of cocaine, including powder, crack, or freebase? 1 0 times 2 1 or 2 times 3 3 to 9 times 4 10 to 19 times 5 20 to 39 times 6 40 or more times	<u>Q47</u> 98.3 0.7 0.3 0.1 0.1 0.4
Age_coke	How old were you when you tried any form of cocaine, including powder, crack, freebase, for the first time? 1 Never tried 2 8 yrs or younger 3 9 or 10 years 4 11 or 12 years 5 13 or 14 years 6 15 or 16 years 7 17 yrs or older	<u>Q45</u> 96.7 0.5 0.1 0.3 1.0 1.1 0.4
crack	During your life, how many times have you used the crack, or freebase forms of cocaine? 1 0 times 2 1 or 2 times 3 3 to 9 times 4 10 to 19 times 5 20 to 39 times 6 40 or more times	<u>Q48</u> 98.1 0.7 0.4 0.1 0.0 0.7
inhalent	During your life, how many times have you sniffed glue, breathed the contents of aerosol spray cans, or inhaled any paints or sprays to get high? 1 0 times 2 1 or 2 times 3 3 to 9 times 4 10 to 19 times 5 20 to 39 times 6 40 or more times	<u>Q49</u> 87.8 6.4 3.1 1.2 0.8 0.7

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steroids	During your life, how many times have you take steroid pills or shots without a doctor's prescription? 1    0 times 2    1 or 2 times 3    3 to 9 times 4    10 to 19 times 5    20 to 39 times 6    40 or more times	<u>Q50</u>  97.6 0.9 0.6 0.2 0.2 0.5
usedrugs	During your life, how many times have you used any other type of illegal drug, such as LSD, PCP, ecstasy, mushrooms, speed, ice, or heroin? 1    0 times 2    1 or 2 times 3    3 to 9 times 4    10 to 19 times 5    20 to 39 times 6    40 or more times	<u>Q51</u>  92.3 3.7 2.0 0.8 0.5 0.8
needle	During your life, how many times have you used a needle to inject any illegal drug into your body? 1    0 times 2    1 time 3    2 or more times	<u>Q52</u>  98.7 0.5 0.8
buydrugs	During the past 12 months, has anyone offered, sold or given you an illegal drug on school property? 1    Yes 2    No	<u>Q53</u>  20.6 79.4
aidseduc	Have you ever been taught about AIDS or HIV infection in school? 1    Yes 2    No 3    Not sure	<u>Q54</u>  89.3 7.2 3.5
aidshome	Have you ever talked about AIDS or HIV infection with your parents or other adults in your family? 1    Yes 2    No 3    Not sure	<u>Q55</u>  62.1 31.8 6.1
eversex	Have you ever had sexual intercourse? 1    Yes 2    No	<u>Q56</u>  40.0 60.0
ageatsex	How old were you when you had sexual intercourse for the first time? 1    Never had sex 2    11 years old or younger 3    12 years old 4    13 years old 5    14 years old 6    15 years old 7    16 years old 8    17 years old or older	<u>Q57</u>  59.9 5.6 3.8 7.5 8.9 7.4 5.2 1.7
Num_ptrs	During your life, with how many people have you had sexual intercourse? 1    Never had sex 2    1 person 3    2 people 4    3 people 5    4 people 6    5 people 7    6 or more people	<u>Q58</u>  60.1 13.6 6.8 4.7 3.5 2.1 9.3

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Num_prs3	During the past 3 months, with how many people did you have sexual intercourse?	<u>Q59</u>
	1    Never had sex	60.1
	2    None during past 3 months	12.0
	3    1 person	18.3
	4    2 people	3.9
	5    3 people	2.1
	6    4 people	1.1
	7    5 people	0.3
	8    6 or more people	2.3
sexhigh	Did you drink alcohol or use drugs before you had sexual intercourse the last time?	<u>Q60</u>
	1    Never had sex	60.0
	2    Yes	6.4
	3    No	33.7
condom	The last time you had sexual intercourse, did you or your partner use a condom?	<u>Q61</u>
	1    Never had sex	60.3
	2    Yes	28.5
	3    No	11.2
Birthcon*	The last time you had sexual intercourse, what one method did you or your partner use to prevent pregnancy?	<u>Q62</u>
	1    Never had sex	60.6
	2    No method was used	5.3
	3    Birth control pills	2.2
	4    Condoms	26.4
	5    Withdrawal	3.7
	6    Some other method	1.0
	7    Not sure	0.7
pregnant	How many times have you been pregnant or gotten someone pregnant?	<u>Q63</u>
	1    0 times	93.8
	2    1 time	3.8
	3    2 or more times	1.9
	4    Not sure	0.6
Perc_wgt	How do you describe your weight?	<u>Q64</u>
	1    Very underweight	3.6
	2    Slightly underweight	16.8
	3    About the right weight	52.6
	4    Slightly overweight	23.3
	5    Very overweight	3.7
Chng_wt	Which of the following are you trying to do about your weight?	<u>Q65</u>
	1    Lose weight	40.0
	2    Gain weight	21.3
	3    Stay the same weight	18.9
	4    Not trying to do anything	19.9
Exer_wt	During the past 30 days, did you exercise to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight?	<u>Q67</u>
	1    Yes	52.1
	2    No	47.9
Eat_wt	During the past 30 days, did you eat less food, fewer calories, or foods low in fat to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight?	<u>Q66</u>
	1    Yes	28.4
	2    No	71.6
Pill_wt	During the past 30 days, did you take any diet pills, powders, or liquids without a doctor's advice to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight?	<u>Q69</u>
	1    Yes	3.8
	2    No	96.2

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Vomit_wt	During the past 30 days, did you vomit or take laxatives to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight? 1 Yes 2 No	<u>Q68</u> 4.7 95.3
juicedy	Yesterday, how many times did you drink fruit juice? 1 0 times 2 1 time 3 2 times 4 3 or more times	<u>Q71</u> 24.6 25.6 22.9 26.9
fruitdy	Yesterday, how many times did you eat fruit? 1 0 times 2 1 time 3 2 times 4 3 or more times	<u>Q70</u> 37.4 29.6 19.5 13.5
greendy	Yesterday, how many times did you eat green salad? 1 0 times 2 1 time 3 2 times 4 3 or more times	<u>Q72</u> 63.3 29.8 5.5 1.4
vegetdy	Yesterday, how many times did you eat cooked vegetables? 1 0 times 2 1 time 3 2 times 4 3 or more times	<u>Q73</u> 49.5 37.5 9.4 3.6
Hamburdy	Yesterday, how many times did you eat hamburger, hot dogs or sausage? 1 0 time 2 1 time 3 2 times 4 3 or more times	<u>Q74</u> 66.4 26.2 5.1 2.4
friesdy	Yesterday, how many times did you eat French fries or potato chips? 1 0 times 2 1 time 3 2 times 4 3 or more times	<u>Q75</u> 48.4 39.6 8.3 3.7
cookiey	Yesterday, how many times did you eat cookies, doughnuts, pie or cake? 1 0 time 2 1 time 3 2 times 4 3 or more times	<u>Q76</u> 40.2 36.8 15.8 7.2
Physicl20	On how many of the past 7 days did you exercise or participate in physical activity for at least 20 minutes that made you sweat and breathe hard, such as basketball, soccer, running, swimming laps, fast bicycling, fast dancing, or similar aerobic activities? 1 0 days 2 1 day 3 2 days 4 3 days 5 4 days 6 5 days 7 6 days 8 7 days	<u>Q77</u> 17.8 9.0 10.0 12.0 10.9 13.6 7.1 19.6

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Walkbike30	On how many of the past 7 days did you walk or bicycle for at least 30 minutes at a time (including walking or bicycling to or from school)?	<u>Q80</u>
	1      0 days	29.5
	2      1 day	11.0
	3      2 days	10.2
	4      3 days	9.8
	5      4 days	6.0
	6      5 days	8.8
	7      6 days	3.7
	8      7 days	21.0
Stretch7dy	On how many of the past 7 days did you do stretching exercises, such as toe touching, knee bending, or leg stretching?	<u>Q78</u>
	1      0 days	24.1
	2      1 day	11.3
	3      2 days	12.1
	4      3 days	12.5
	5      4 days	9.9
	6      5 days	12.6
	7      6 days	3.9
	8      7 days	13.7
Muscle7dy	On how many of the past 7 days did you do exercises to strengthen or tone your muscles, such as push-ups, sit-ups, or weight lifting?	<u>Q79</u>
	1      0 day	26.6
	2      1 day	11.0
	3      2 days	11.6
	4      3 days	12.2
	5      4 days	9.4
	6      5 days	10.6
	7      6 days	3.8
	8      7 days	14.9
Days_pe	In an average week when you are in school, on how many days do you go to physical education (PE) classes?	<u>Q81</u>
	1      0 days	15.6
	2      1 day	1.2
	3      2 days	2.5
	4      3 days	17.5
	5      4 days	18.8
	6      5 days	44.4
Pe_lngth*	During an average physical education (PE) class, how many minutes do you spend actually exercising or playing sports?	<u>Q82</u>
	1      Do not take PE	14.7
	2      Less than 10 minutes	7.8
	3      10 to 20 minutes	17.3
	4      21 to 30 minutes	29.1
	5      More than 30 minutes	31.1
Teamssch*	During the past 12 months, on how many sports teams run by your school, did you play? (Do not include PE classes)	<u>Q83</u>
	1      0 teams	68.6
	2      1 team	21.0
	3      2 teams	5.9
	4      3 or more teams	4.5

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Team_out*	During the past 12 months, on how many sports teams run by organizations outside of your school, did you play? 1    0 teams 2    1 team 3    2 teams 4    3 or more teams	<u>Q84</u>  68.0 18.2 7.3 6.5
wt	Survey weight	
strat	Stratum	
Psu	Primary sample unit	

\*These variables cannot be analyzed in exactly the same way across years. Use caution when comparing across years or combining data.

For analysis:

Design = WR

Nesting: strat psu

Weighting: wt