

# Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Drug Use Among Delaware Students, 1995

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# Alcohol Use Among Delaware Fifth-Graders, 1995

(percentages)

	<b>LIFETIME USE</b>	<b>PAST YEAR USE</b>	<b>PAST MONTH USE</b>	<b>GREAT RISK OF HARM FROM:</b>	
				<b>TRYING</b>	<b>DAILY USE</b>
<b>Statewide</b>	25	10	2	15	36
Males	29	11	3	14	32
Females	22	8	2	16	40
<b>New Castle</b>					
Males	25	10	3	14	33
Females	27	11	3	13	28
	23	9	3	16	38
<b>Kent</b>	22	7	1	14	40
Males	32	9	2	19	43
Females	14	4	-	10	38
<b>Sussex</b>	30	13	3	22	47
Males	30	11	4	17	40
Females	29	15	3	27	53

Note: (-) indicates less than one-half of one percent.

# Marijuana Use Among Delaware Fifth-Graders, 1995

(percentages)

	LIFETIME USE	PAST YEAR USE	PAST MONTH USE	GREAT RISK OF HARM FROM:	
				TRYING	WEEKLY USE
Statewide	1	1	-	34	55
Males	2	1	1	33	50
Females	1	-	-	35	60
New_Castle	1	1	-	35	52
Males	1	1	1	32	46
Females	1	-	-	37	58
Kent	2	1	1	30	58
Males	3	2	1	34	61
Females	1	1	-	26	55
Sussex	2	1	1	37	64
Males	4	-	-	32	51
Females	1	1	1	41	74

## Other Illegal Drug Use Among Delaware Fifth-Graders

(percentages)

	LIFETIME	PAST YEAR	PAST MONTH
Statewide	10	5	3
Males	12	6	4
Females	8	4	2
New Castle	11	56	3
Males	13	5	4
Females	8		3
Kent	11	4	2
Males	12	7	4
Females	9	2	1
Sussex	7	4	2
Males	8	6	2
Females	6	3	1

Note: Other illegal substances include prescription downers, prescription uppers, inhalants, hallucinogens, crack, and cocaine

## PAST YEAR USE OF OTHER ILLEGAL SUBSTANCES FOR FIFTH GRADERS (percentages)

	Stimulants	Inhalants	Hallucinogens	Crack	Cocaine
Statewide	1	2	-	-	1
Males	2	3	-	-	1
Females	1	1	-	-	1
New Castle	1	2	-	-	1
Males	2	2	-	-	2
Females	1	2	-	-	1
Kent	1	2	-	-	1
Males	2	4	-	1	1
Females	-	-	-	-	1
Sussex	2	2	-	-	-
Males	2	4	-	-	-
Females	3	-	-	-	-

Note: (-) indicates less than one half of one percent

Source: University of Delaware Survey 1995

# Cigarette Use Among Delaware Eighth-Graders, 1995

(percentages)

	LIFETIME USE	PAST YEAR USE	PAST MONTH USE	HEAVY USE*	GREAT RISK OF HARM FROM PACK OR MORE PER DAY
Statewide	50	38	25	7	43
Males	48	35	22	9	37
Females	52	41	28	5	49
New Castle	51	38	24	6	44
Males	48	34	20	8	36
Females	52	40	27	5	51
Kent	47	38	27	9	44
Males	43	38	27	14	40
Females	50	38	26	4	47
Sussex	53	41	26	6	38
Males	52	35	21	7	33
Females	54	47	31	5	43

\*Note: Heavy use is more than 1/2 pack per day in last 30 days.

## Tobacco Use Among Delaware Eighth Graders, 1995 (percentages)

	LIFETIME USE			PAST YEAR			PAST MONTH		
	Cigarette	Smokeless	All	Cigarette	Smokeless	All	Cigarette	Smokeless	All
State	50	14	53	38	8	40	25	4	26
Male	48	20	52	35	13	37	22	6	23
Female	52	7	53	41	4	42	28	2	28
New Castle	51	10	52	38	5	38	24	2	24
Male	48	14	49	34	8	35	20	3	21
Female	52	6	53	40	4	41	27	1	28
Kent	47	19	50	38	13	40	27	8	26
Male	43	30	49	38	23	41	27	13	26
Female	50	8	50	38	3	38	26	3	25
Sussex	53	20	58	41	12	43	26	4	28
Male	52	28	61	35	17	39	21	7	25
Female	54	10	55	47	6	47	31	1	31

Source: University of Delaware Survey 1995

## Alcohol Use Among Delaware Eighth Graders, 1995

(percentages)

	LIFETIME USE	PAST YEAR USE	PAST MONTH USE	BINGE USE	GREAT RISK OF HARM FROM:		
					TRYING	DAILY USE	BINGE
Statewide	64	54	33	16	12	30	50
Males	61	52	31	15	14	28	47
Females	67	56	35	17	11	32	52
New Castle	63	52	31	15	13	31	54
Males	60	52	31	13	13	28	50
Females	65	53	32	16	12	34	57
Kent	66	56	34	16	12	30	45
Males	59	51	33	18	14	28	48
Females	72	59	35	15	11	32	41
Sussex	68	57	35	19	12	26	43
Males	65	52	32	17	16	28	39
Females	71	62	38	22	9	25	46

Note: (-) indicates less than one-half of one percent.



# Marijuana Use Among Delaware Eighth Graders, 1995

(percentages)

	<b>LIFETIME USE</b>	<b>PAST YEAR USE</b>	<b>PAST MONTH USE</b>	<b>HEAVY USE</b>	<b>GREAT RISK OF HARM FROM:</b>	
					<b>TRYING</b>	<b>WEEKLY USE</b>
Statewide	28	25	17	8	29	66
Males	31	27	18	10	26	59
Females	26	22	15	5	32	72
New Castle	29	25	18	7	29	68
Males	31	27	20	8	27	63
Females	26	24	15	6	32	72
Kent	25	24	18	9	26	63
Males	28	28	21	14	25	51
Females	22	19	14	5	28	72
Sussex	30	23	14	7	30	63
Males	33	28	13	8	26	56
Females	27	19	16	6	33	69

Note: Heavy use indicates more than six times in the past month.

# Other Illegal Drug Use Among Delaware Eighth Graders, 1995

(percentages)

	LIFETIME	PAST YEAR	PAST MONTH
Statewide	30	23	13
Males	28	21	12
Females	32	24	14
New Castle	28	22	12
Males	26	20	9
Females	31	24	14
Kent	31	24	15
Males	32	27	16
Females	30	20	14
Sussex	33	26	15
Males	29	22	16
Females	38	30	15

Note: Other illegal substances include prescription downers, prescription stimulants, inhalants, hallucinogens, crack, and cocaine.

## Past-Year Use of Other Illegal Substances Among Eighth Graders, 1995 (percentages)

	Stimulants	Inhalants	Hallucinogens	Crack	Cocaine
Statewide	6	18	6	2	2
Males	6	14	7	2	2
Females	6	20	4	2	2
New Castle	5	16	5	1	2
Males	6	12	6	2	2
Females	4	19	4	1	2
Kent	9	18	8	2	2
Males	9	18	12	2	2
Females	7	18	4	2	2
Sussex	5	22	6	3	2
Males	2	18	6	2	2
Females	7	27	5	3	2

Source: University of Delaware Survey 1995

## Cigarette Use Among Delaware 11th Graders, 1995 (percentages)

	LIFETIME USE	PAST YEAR USE	PAST MONTH USE	HEAVY USE	GREAT RISK OF HARM FROM PACK OR MORE/DAY
Statewide	51	39	28	10	61
Males	54	42	30	11	53
Females	50	37	26	10	67
New Castle	51	39	28	10	62
Males	54	42	30	11	57
Females	50	36	26	10	66
Kent	58	43	32	8	63
Males	61	47	34	13	52
Females	56	41	31	5	71
Sussex	46	37	26	10	56
Males	48	38	29	7	44
Females	46	36	23	13	64

Note: Heavy use is more than 1/2 pack per day in last 30 days.

## Tobacco Use Among Delaware 11th Graders, 1995 (percentages)

	LIFETIME USE			PAST YEAR			PAST MONTH		
	Cigarette	Smokeless	All	Cigarette	Smokeless	All	Cigarette	Smokeless	All
State	51	18	55	39	12	41	28	6	30
Male	54	35	60	42	23	46	30	13	35
Female	50	5	51	37	3	38	26	1	26
New Castle	51	16	54	39	10	41	28	5	29
Male	54	31	59	42	19	46	30	10	33
Female	50	3	50	36	2	37	26	1	26
Kent	58	22	61	43	16	45	32	7	33
Male	61	38	66	47	26	49	34	13	36
Female	56	11	57	41	9	43	31	3	31
Sussex	46	18	50	37	13	39	26	9	29
Male	48	40	55	38	31	45	29	20	38
Female	46	4	46	36	1	35	23	1	23