

YRBS Comparisons Hamilton County, Nashville, Tennessee, and Nation

	Hamilton (2002)	Nashville (2001)	TN (2001)	Nation (2001)
Tobacco Use				
Ever Tried Cigarettes	59%	62%	67%	64%
Current Smoker	27%	26%	29%	29%
Current Daily Smoker	9%	NA	10%	13%
Ever Been Daily Smoker	19%	17%	22%	20%
Drug and Alcohol Use				
Ever Drank Alcohol	72%	73%	75%	78%
Current Alcohol Use	39%	38%	44%	47%
Binge Drinking (past month)	24%	20%	27%	30%
Current Marijuana Use	23%	25%	24%	24%
Current Inhalant Use	5%	2%	4%	5%
Methamphetamine Use (ever)	11%	5%	11%	10%
Sexual Behavior				
Ever Had Sexual Intercourse	44%	50%	51%	46%
Had Sexual Intercourse Past 3 Months	30%	37%	36%	33%
Had 4 or More Partners	14%	17%	16%	14%
Used Condom Last Time	59%	62%	57%	58%
Ever Been/Gotten Someone Pregnant	5%	9%	6%	5%
Physical Activity				
Aerobic Exercise 3 + Times Week	60%	59%	61%	65%
Strengthening 3+ Times Week	48%	48%	51%	53%
Watch TV 3+ Hours on School Days	36%	51%	45%	38%
Averages < = 2 Hours TV on School Days	64%	NA	45%	62%
Participate in PE	39%	NA	42%	52%
Daily PE	21%	37%	26%	32%
Dietary Behaviors*				
Currently Trying to Lose	45%	44%	44%	46%
Underweight (25th percentile or below)	13%	NA	NA	NA
Healthy Weight (26th to 84th percentile)	60%	NA	NA	NA
At Risk for Overweight (85th percentile)	15%	17%	14%	14%
Overweight (95th percentile)	12%	13%	13%	11%

* weight classifications based on body mass index percentiles for age and sex

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Youth Violence				
Carried Weapon in Last Month	22%	16%	20%	17%
Carried Gun in Last Month	8%	7%	6%	6%
Been in Physical Fight in Last Year	32%	33%	30%	33%
Dating Violence Past Yr.	14%	7%	9%	10%
Forced Intercourse (ever)	11%	8%	9%	8%
Injury Risks				
Rarely/Never Use Seat Belt	12%	21%	18%	14%
Rode With Driver Under Influence of Alcohol	27%	27%	32%	31%
Drove Under Influence	12%	10%	14%	13%
Rarely/Never Use Bike Helmets (riders)	80%	86%	89%	85%
Rarely/Never Use Motorcycle Helmets (riders)	35%	30%	33%	37%
Mental Health — Past Year				
Depression 2+ Weeks	27%	28%	30%	28%
Considered Suicide	16%	17%	20%	19%
Planned Suicide	15%	12%	14%	15%
Attempted Suicide	10%	8%	9%	9%
Suicide Attempt resulted in medical treatment	4%	2%	3%	3%
Risk Takers — Current Activities*				
No risks	44%	39%	NA	NA
Minimal Risk Taker (1 risk)	26%	26%	NA	NA
Multiple Risk Taker (2 or 3 risks)	22%	27%	NA	NA
Extreme Risk Taker (4 risks)	8%	9%	NA	NA

* among the following activities: smoking, drinking, marijuana use (past month) and sexual intercourse (past three months)