

Percent of Youth Reporting Each of 15 Risk-Taking Behaviors Comparison by Survey Year

Category	Definition	Survey Year		
		1997	2000	2002
Sexual Intercourse	Has had sexual intercourse one or more times	36	36	31
Anti-Social Behavior	Shoplifted once or more in the last 12 months	31	26	21
	Committed vandalism once or more in the last 12 months	22	19	16
	Got into trouble with police once or more in the last 12 months	28	22	22
Violence	Hit someone once or more in the last 12 months	35	34	32
	Physically hurt someone once or more in the last 12 months	14	13	11
	Used a weapon to get something from a person once or more in the last 12 months	3	2	3
	Been in a group fight once or more in the last 12 months	20	20	18
	Carried a weapon for protection once or more in the last 12 months	9	7	9
	Threatened physical harm to someone once or more in the last 12 months	38	32	30
	School Truancy	Skipped school once or more in the last four months	26	32
Gambling	Gambled once or more in the last 12 months	50	45	29
Eating Disorder	Has engaged in bulimic or anorexic behavior	17	14	15
Depression	Felt sad or depressed most or all of the time in the last month	14	14	17
Attempted Suicide	Has attempted suicide one or more times	16	14	17

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