

- Six percent of students surveyed reported having ever used hallucinogens, such as LSD and PCP²⁰. The 12-month and 30-day prevalence of hallucinogen use among these middle school students was 5% and 4%, respectively.
- Relative to their use of other drugs²¹ than those mentioned above including ecstasy, ice (crystal methamphetamine) and heroin, 4% of students reported ever having used such drugs; 3% reported using other drugs in the past 12 months; and only slightly less than 3% reported doing so in the past 30 days.

Prescription Drug Abuse (Use for Non-Medical Purposes)

- Seven percent of Tennessee middle school students surveyed reported having used prescription drugs for non-medical purposes (defined here as "prescription drug abuse") at least once in their lifetimes²², while 5% had abused prescription drugs in the past 12 months, compared to 3% in the past 30 days.
 - Students in higher grades were more likely to report prescription drug abuse in the past 30 days than students in lower grades. The prevalence of prescription drug abuse among 6th graders was 1%, among 7th graders, 3%, and among 8th graders, 5%.
 - Males and females did not differ in their propensity to have abused prescription drugs in the last 30 days.
 - Hispanic students (5%) were more likely to have abused prescription drugs than non-Hispanic students (3%) in the last 30 days. White students (3%) were more likely to have abused prescription drugs than black students (2%).

Risk Factors in Alcohol and Other Drug Use among Tennessee Middle School Students

This section looks at bivariate relationships between selected indicators and alcohol and other drug use in the last 30 days.

²⁰Survey question: "Have you ever used LSD (acid) or other hallucinogens such as peyote, jimson weed, mushrooms, PCP (angel dust) ever? / in the last 12 months? / in the last 30 days?"

²¹Survey question: "Have you ever used other illegal drugs such as ecstasy, ice (crystal meth), heroin (smack, horse, skag) ever? / in the last 12 months? / in the last 30 days?"

²²Survey question: "Have you taken any prescription drugs or pills just to get high or for non-medical purposes on your own, without a doctor's prescription..... ever? / in the last 12 months? / in the last 30 days?"