

South Carolina Communities That Care Survey

Thank you for agreeing to participate in this survey. The survey asks your opinion about a number of things in your life, including your friends, your family, your neighborhood, and your community. Your answers to these questions will be confidential and anonymous. This means your answers will stay secret so please answer honestly. Your name will never be asked. Please do not write your name on this survey. **This survey is completely voluntary. This means you do not have to take it. You may skip any question you don't want to answer.**

Instructions

This is not a test, so there are no right or wrong answers. **Be sure to mark your answers on the separate answer sheet.** Only answers marked on the answer sheet will be recorded. If you do not find an answer that fits exactly, use one that comes closest. If any question does not apply to you, or you are not sure of what it means, just leave it blank. Your answers will be read by a computer. Please follow the instructions on the separate answer sheet carefully.

These questions ask for some general information about you. Please mark the response that best describes you.

1. How old are you?

- A. 13
- B. 14
- C. 15
- D. 16
- E. 17
- F. 18
- G. 19 or older

2. What grade are you in?

- A. 9th
- B. 10th
- C. 11th
- D. 12th

3. Are you?

- A. Female
- B. Male

4. What do you consider yourself to be?

(Choose all that apply.)

- A. White
- B. Black or African American
- C. American Indian/Native American, Eskimo or Aleut
- D. Spanish/Hispanic/Latino
- E. Asian or Pacific Islander
- F. Other

5. What is the language you use most often at home?

- A. English
- B. Spanish
- C. Another language

6. Putting them all together, what were your grades like last year? (Choose only one response.)

- A. Mostly A's
- B. Mostly B's
- C. Mostly C's
- D. Mostly D's
- E. Mostly F's

This remainder of the survey asks about your experience with tobacco, alcohol, and other drugs. It also asks some personal questions. Remember, your answers are **CONFIDENTIAL**. This means your answers will stay secret.

Chewing Tobacco, Snuff, or Dip

7. Have you ever used chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip, such as Redman, Levi Garrett, Beechnut, Skoal, Bandits, or Copenhagen?

- A. Never
- B. Once or Twice
- C. Once in a while but not regularly
- D. Regularly but in the past
- E. Regularly now

8. How frequently have you used chewing tobacco snuff, or dip, such as Redman, Levi Garrett, Beechnut, Skoal, Bandits, or Copenhagen during the PAST 30 DAYS?

- A. Never
- B. Once or Twice
- C. Once or twice per week
- D. About once a day
- E. More than once a day

Smokeless Tobacco Products

9. Have you ever used any of the following smokeless tobacco products: Snus, Ariva, or Stonewall?

- A. Never
- B. Once or Twice
- C. Once in a while but not regularly
- D. Regularly in the past
- E. Regularly now

Cigarettes

10. Have you ever smoked cigarettes?

- A. Never
- B. Once or twice
- C. Once in a while but not regularly
- D. Regularly in the past
- E. Regularly now

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11. How old were you when you first smoked a CIGARETTE, even just a puff?

- A. Never have
- B. 10 or younger
- C. 11
- D. 12
- E. 13
- F. 14
- G. 15
- H. 16
- I. 17 or older

12. How frequently have you smoked cigarettes during the PAST 30 DAYS?

- A. Not at all
- B. Less than 1 cigarette per day
- C. One to five cigarettes per day
- D. About one half pack per day
- E. About one pack per day
- F. About one and one half packs per day
- G. Two packs or more per day

13. During the past 30 days, how did you usually get your own cigarettes? (Choose only one response.)

- A. I did not smoke cigarettes during the past 30 days
- B. I bought them in a store such as a convenience store, supermarket, discount store, or gas station
- C. I bought them from a vending machine
- D. I gave someone else money to buy them for me
- E. I borrowed (or bummed) them from somebody else
- F. A person 18 years old, or older, gave them to me
- G. I took them from a store or family member
- H. I got them some other way

Alcohol

14. On how many occasions, if any, have you had alcoholic beverages (beer, wine, or hard liquor) - more than just a few sips - in your LIFETIME?

- A. 0 occasions
- B. 1 or 2 occasions
- C. 3 to 5 occasions
- D. 6 to 9 occasions
- E. 10 to 19 occasions
- F. 20 to 39 occasions
- G. 40 or more occasions

15. How old were you when you first had more than a sip or two of beer, wine, or hard liquor (for example: vodka, whiskey, or gin)?

- A. Never have
- B. 10 or younger
- C. 11
- D. 12
- E. 13
- F. 14
- G. 15
- H. 16
- I. 17 or older

16. Think back over the last two weeks. How many times have you had 5 or more alcoholic drinks in a row?

- A. None
- B. Once
- C. Twice
- D. 3-5 times
- E. 6-9 times
- F. 10 or more times

17. How old were you when you first began drinking alcoholic beverages regularly, that is, at least once or twice a month?

- A. Never have
- B. 10 or younger
- C. 11
- D. 12
- E. 13
- F. 14
- G. 15
- H. 16
- I. 17 or older

18. On how many occasions, if any, have you had alcoholic beverages (beer, wine, or hard liquor) - more than just a few sips - in the PAST 30 DAYS?

- A. 0 occasions
- B. 1 or 2 occasions
- C. 3 to 5 occasions
- D. 6 to 9 occasions
- E. 10 to 19 occasions
- F. 20 to 39 occasions
- G. 40 or more occasions

19. During the past 30 days, what type of alcohol did you usually drink? (Choose only one response.)

- A. I did not drink alcohol during the past 30 days
- B. I do not have a usual type
- C. Beer
- D. Malt beverages such as Smirnoff Ice, Bacardi Breezer, Mike's Hard Lemonade, Sparks, and Tilt
- E. Alcohol mixed with an energy drink
- F. Wine coolers, such as Seagrams and Bartles and James
- G. Wine
- H. Hard liquor, such as vodka, rum, scotch, bourbon, or whiskey
- I. Some other type

20. During the past 30 days, how did you usually get the alcohol you drank? (Choose only one response.)

- A. I did not drink alcohol during the past 30 days
- B. I bought it myself from someplace like a store, restaurant, bar, club, concert, or sporting event
- C. I gave someone else money to buy it for me
- D. Someone gave it to me at a party or social gathering
- E. Someone gave it to me someplace else
- F. I took it from a store or family member
- G. I stood outside a store and asked a stranger to buy it for me
- H. I got it some other way

21. During the past 30 days, who most often got alcohol for you, that is bought it for you or gave it to you? (Choose only one response.)

- A. I did not drink alcohol during the past 30 days
- B. Nobody got alcohol for me
- C. My parent got it for me
- D. A friend's parent got it for me
- E. A friend or other family member older than 25 got it for me
- F. A friend or family member age 21 – 25 got it for me
- G. A friend or family member under age 21 got it for me
- H. Some other adult got it for me

22. During the past 30 days, how many times did you drive a car or other vehicle when YOU had been drinking alcohol?

- A. 0 times
- B. 1 time
- C. 2 or 3 times
- D. 4 or 5 times
- E. 6 or more times

23. 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?

- A. 0 times
- B. 1 time
- C. 2 or 3 times
- D. 4 or 5 times
- E. 6 or more times

24. When you have attended a party with your friends where alcohol was available, how often did you leave with a driver who had been drinking or drive yourself home after drinking?

- A. I have not attended a party where alcohol was available
- B. Never or almost never
- C. Sometimes
- D. Often
- E. All the time

Sniffed Glue, Breathed Aerosol Spray Can, Inhaled Other Gases or Sprays

25. On how many occasions, if any, have you sniffed glue, breathed the contents of an aerosol spray can, or inhaled other gases or sprays in order to get high in your LIFETIME?

- A. 0 occasions
- B. 1 or 2 occasions
- C. 3 to 5 occasions
- D. 6 to 9 occasions
- E. 10 to 19 occasions
- F. 20 to 39 occasions
- G. 40 or more occasions

26. On how many occasions, if any, have you sniffed glue, breathed the contents of an aerosol spray can, or inhaled other gases or sprays in order to get high in the PAST 30 DAYS?

- A. 0 occasions
- B. 1 or 2 occasions
- C. 3 to 5 occasions
- D. 6 to 9 occasions
- E. 10 to 19 occasions
- F. 20 to 39 occasions
- G. 40 or more occasions

Marijuana or Hashish

27. On how many occasions, if any, have you used marijuana (weed, pot) or hashish (hash, hash oil) in your LIFETIME?

- A. 0 occasions
- B. 1 or 2 occasions
- C. 3 to 5 occasions
- D. 6 to 9 occasions
- E. 10 to 19 occasions
- F. 20 to 39 occasions
- G. 40 or more occasions

28. How old were you when you first smoked MARIJUANA?

- A. Never have
- B. 10 or younger
- C. 11
- D. 12
- E. 13
- F. 14
- G. 15
- H. 16
- I. 17 or older

29. On how many occasions, if any, have you used marijuana (weed, pot) or hashish (hash, hash oil) in the PAST 30 DAYS?

- A. 0 occasions
- B. 1 or 2 occasions
- C. 3 to 5 occasions
- D. 6 to 9 occasions
- E. 10 to 19 occasions
- F. 20 to 39 occasions
- G. 40 or more occasions

Prescription Drugs Not Prescribed To You

30. On how many occasions, if any, have you used a prescription drug such as Ritalin, Adderall, or Xanax without a doctor's prescription in your LIFETIME?

- A. 0 occasions
- B. 1 or 2 occasions
- C. 3 to 5 occasions
- D. 6 to 9 occasions
- E. 10 to 19 occasions
- F. 20 to 39 occasions
- G. 40 or more occasions

31. On how many occasions, if any, have you used a prescription drug such as Ritalin, Adderall, or Xanax without a doctor's prescription in the PAST 30 DAYS?

- A. 0 occasions
- B. 1 or 2 occasions
- C. 3 to 5 occasions
- D. 6 to 9 occasions
- E. 10 to 19 occasions
- F. 20 to 39 occasions
- G. 40 or more occasions

32. During the past 30 days, how did you usually get the prescription drugs you used that were not prescribed to you? (Choose only one response.)

- A. I did not take prescription drugs during the past 30 days that were not prescribed to me
- B. I took them from a friend without asking
- C. I took them from a family member without asking
- D. I bought them from a friend
- E. I bought them from a family member
- F. I got them from a friend for free (they gave them to me)
- G. I got them from a family member for free (they gave them to me)
- H. I bought them from someone else
- I. I got them from more than one doctor and used them for non-medical reasons
- J. I got them from just one doctor and used them for non-medical reasons
- K. I wrote fake prescriptions
- L. I stole them from a doctor's office, clinic, hospital, or pharmacy
- M. I bought them on the Internet
- N. I got them some other way

Cocaine

33. On how many occasions, if any, have you used cocaine in your LIFETIME?

- A. 0 occasions
- B. 1 or 2 occasions
- C. 3 to 5 occasions
- D. 6 to 9 occasions
- E. 10 to 19 occasions
- F. 20 to 39 occasions
- G. 40 or more occasions

These questions ask about your school, neighborhood, and community.

34. How many times in the past year (12 months) have you been suspended from school?

- A. 0 occasions
- B. 1 or 2 occasions
- C. 3 to 5 occasions
- D. 6 to 9 occasions
- E. 10 to 19 occasions
- F. 20 to 39 occasions
- G. 40 or more occasions

35. How many times in the past year (12 months) have you sold illegal drugs?

- A. 0 occasions
- B. 1 or 2 occasions
- C. 3 to 5 occasions
- D. 6 to 9 occasions
- E. 10 to 19 occasions
- F. 20 to 39 occasions
- G. 40 or more occasions

36. How many times in the past year (12 months) have you been arrested?

- A. 0 occasions
- B. 1 or 2 occasions
- C. 3 to 5 occasions
- D. 6 to 9 occasions
- E. 10 to 19 occasions
- F. 20 to 39 occasions
- G. 40 or more occasions

37. How many times in the past year (12 months) have you attacked someone with the idea of seriously hurting them?

- A. 0 occasions
- B. 1 or 2 occasions
- C. 3 to 5 occasions
- D. 6 to 9 occasions
- E. 10 to 19 occasions
- F. 20 to 39 occasions
- G. 40 or more occasions

38. How many times in the past year (12 months) have you taken a handgun to school?

- A. 0 occasions
- B. 1 or 2 occasions
- C. 3 to 5 occasions
- D. 6 to 9 occasions
- E. 10 to 19 occasions
- F. 20 to 39 occasions
- G. 40 or more occasions

39. How many times in the past year (12 months) have you been drunk or high at school?

- A. 0 occasions
- B. 1 or 2 occasions
- C. 3 to 5 occasions
- D. 6 to 9 occasions
- E. 10 to 19 occasions
- F. 20 to 39 occasions
- G. 40 or more occasions

40. To what extent is drinking alcohol a central part in the social life of students at your school?

- A. Very little or none
- B. Some
- C. Quite a lot
- D. A great deal
- E. Don't know

41. To what extent do students at your school use alcohol in connection with school sporting events (such as tailgate parties, post-game celebrations)?

- A. Very little or none
- B. Some
- C. Quite a lot
- D. A great deal
- E. Don't know

42. To what extent do students at your school use alcohol on school property during, or just before or after, school hours?

- A. Very little or none
- B. Some
- C. Quite a lot
- D. A great deal
- E. Don't know

43. Have you ever belonged to a gang with a name?

- A. No
- B. Yes

What are your opinions?

44. How wrong do you think it is for someone your age to have one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day?

- A. Not wrong at all
- B. A little bit wrong
- C. Wrong
- D. Very Wrong

45. How wrong do you think it is for someone your age to smoke tobacco?

- A. Not wrong at all
- B. A little bit wrong
- C. Wrong
- D. Very Wrong

46. How wrong do you think it is for someone your age to smoke marijuana?

- A. Not wrong at all
- B. A little bit wrong
- C. Wrong
- D. Very Wrong

47. How wrong do you think it is for someone your age to use prescription drugs not prescribed to them?

- A. Not wrong at all
- B. A little bit wrong
- C. Wrong
- D. Very Wrong

48. How wrong do you think it is for someone your age to use LSD, cocaine, amphetamines, or another illegal drug?

- A. Not wrong at all
- B. A little bit wrong
- C. Wrong
- D. Very Wrong

49. How much do you think people risk harming themselves physically or in other ways if they smoke one or more packs of cigarettes per day?

- A. No risk
- B. Slight risk
- C. Moderate risk
- D. Great risk

50. How much do you think people risk harming themselves physically or in other ways if they smoke marijuana once or twice a week?

- A. No risk
- B. Slight risk
- C. Moderate risk
- D. Great risk

51. How much do you think people risk harming themselves physically or in other ways if they have five or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage once or twice a week?

- A. No risk
- B. Slight risk
- C. Moderate risk
- D. Great risk

52. How much do you think people risk harming themselves physically or in other ways if they use prescription drugs that are not prescribed to them?

- A. No risk
- B. Slight risk
- C. Moderate risk
- D. Great risk

53. If you wanted to get some cigarettes, how easy would it be for you to get some?

- A. Very easy
- B. Sort of easy
- C. Sort of hard
- D. Very hard

54. If you wanted to get some beer, wine, or hard liquor (for example vodka, whiskey, or gin), how easy would it be for you to get some?

- A. Very easy
- B. Sort of easy
- C. Sort of hard
- D. Very hard

55. If you wanted to get a drug like cocaine, LSD, or amphetamines, how easy would it be for you to get some?

- A. Very easy
- B. Sort of easy
- C. Sort of hard
- D. Very hard

56. If you wanted to get some marijuana, how easy would it be for you to get some?

- A. Very easy
- B. Sort of easy
- C. Sort of hard
- D. Very hard

What are your parent's opinions?

57. How wrong do your parents feel it would be for YOU to have one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day?

- A. Not wrong at all
- B. A little bit wrong
- C. Wrong
- D. Very wrong

58. How wrong do your parents feel it would be for YOU to smoke tobacco?

- A. Not wrong at all
- B. A little bit wrong
- C. Wrong
- D. Very wrong

59. How wrong do your parents feel it would be for YOU to smoke marijuana?

- A. Not wrong at all
- B. A little bit wrong
- C. Wrong
- D. Very wrong

60. How wrong do your parents feel it would be for YOU to use prescription drugs not prescribed to you?

- A. Not wrong at all
- B. A little bit wrong
- C. Wrong
- D. Very wrong

What are your friend's opinions?

61. How wrong do your friends feel it would be for YOU to have one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day?

- A. Not wrong at all
- B. A little bit wrong
- C. Wrong
- D. Very wrong

62. How wrong do your friends feel it would be for YOU to smoke tobacco?

- A. Not wrong at all
- B. A little bit wrong
- C. Wrong
- D. Very wrong

63. How wrong do your friends feel it would be for YOU to smoke marijuana?

- A. Not wrong at all
- B. A little bit wrong
- C. Wrong
- D. Very wrong

64. How wrong do your friends feel it would be for you to use prescription drugs not prescribed to you?

- A. Not wrong at all
- B. A little bit wrong
- C. Wrong
- D. Very wrong