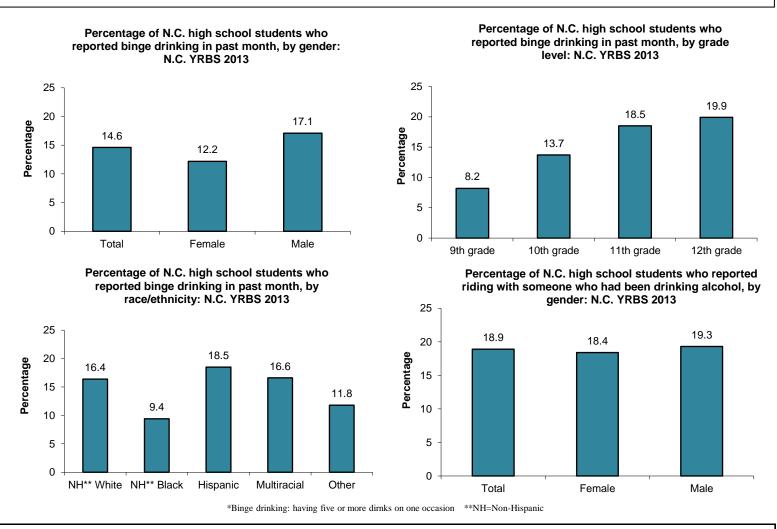
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High School Binge* Drinking in Past Month: 2013 N.C. Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS)



The N.C. Youth Risk Behavior Survey (N.C. YRBS) provides a critical source of public health data for understanding the scope of injury-related problems and measuring progress toward overall goals among public school students. N.C. YRBS is a comprehensive statewide sample of middle and high school students from across the state. Every other spring in odd years, a core set of injury-related questions are asked along with other health and risk-factor questions on such topics as alcohol use, seat belt use, and physical assault. The sampling scheme is intended to generate a statewide representative sample of weighted data; in 2013, 1,846 high school students completed the survey and 1,410 middle school students completed the survey. Increasing school district participation and data utilization are two keys for future success of the YRBS. See the N.C. Healthy Schools website for more information: www.nchealthyschools.org.



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