

# 2001 Minnesota Student Survey

**TABLE 1**  
**SAMPLE DESCRIPTION**  
*Otter Tail County*

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		N	%	N	%	N	%
<b>Total number of surveys</b>		388	100%	440	100%	283	100%
<b>Gender</b>	<b>Male</b>	202	52%	231	53%	146	52%
	<b>Female</b>	186	48%	209	48%	137	48%
<b>Age</b>	<b>11 or younger</b>	95	24%	0	0%	0	0%
	<b>12</b>	272	70%	0	0%	0	0%
	<b>13</b>	21	5%	0	0%	0	0%
	<b>14</b>	0	0%	133	30%	0	0%
	<b>15</b>	0	0%	292	66%	0	0%
	<b>16</b>	0	0%	14	3%	1	0%
	<b>17</b>	0	0%	1	0%	84	30%
	<b>18</b>	0	0%	0	0%	183	65%
	<b>19-20</b>	0	0%	0	0%	15	5%
<b>Race/ethnicity</b>	<b>American Indian</b>	6	2%	4	1%	0	0%
	<b>Black or African American</b>	2	1%	3	1%	0	0%
	<b>Mexican American or Chicano/Chicana</b>	13	3%	17	4%	4	1%
	<b>Puerto Rican or other Latin American</b>	1	0%	1	0%	1	0%
	<b>Asian American or Pacific Islander</b>	3	1%	3	1%	0	0%
	<b>White</b>	313	81%	381	87%	274	97%
	<b>Mixed race (checked more than one race/ethnicity)</b>	14	4%	19	4%	2	1%
	<b>I don't know / no answer</b>	36	9%	12	3%	2	1%

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**TABLE 2**  
**FEELINGS ABOUT SCHOOL, SCHOOL PLANS, AND TRUANCY**  
*Otter Tail County*

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
<b>How do you feel about going to school?</b>	<b>I like school very much</b>	11%	20%	6%	4%	4%	7%
	<b>I like school quite a bit</b>	28%	42%	24%	32%	25%	30%
	<b>I like school a little</b>	35%	24%	35%	43%	45%	37%
	<b>I don't like school very much</b>	12%	6%	21%	17%	16%	20%
	<b>I hate school</b>	12%	8%	15%	5%	11%	6%
<b>Which of these best describes your school plans?</b>	<b>I would like to quit school as soon as I can</b>	4%	3%	3%	2%	0%	0%
	<b>I plan to finish high school but won't go to college</b>	14%	11%	11%	5%	8%	7%
	<b>I'd like to go to some kind of trade or vocational school</b>	3%	1%	14%	7%	26%	11%
	<b>I'd like to go to college after high school</b>	60%	63%	59%	65%	50%	58%
	<b>I'd like to go to college and then to graduate school</b>	20%	22%	13%	21%	15%	23%
<b>During the last 30 days, how often have you skipped or cut full days of school?</b>	<b>Never</b>	79%	85%	74%	78%	58%	55%
	<b>Once or twice</b>	15%	12%	14%	17%	29%	26%
	<b>3 to 5 times</b>	4%	2%	8%	3%	10%	13%
	<b>6 to 10 times</b>	1%	1%	2%	0%	4%	3%
	<b>More than 10 times</b>	1%	1%	2%	1%	0%	3%

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**TABLE 3**  
**ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE**  
*Otter Tail County*

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
<b>Mark the two grades you get the most often.</b>	<b>A only</b>	2%	2%	3%	2%	1%	1%
	<b>A and B only</b>	54%	66%	41%	62%	53%	80%
	<b>B only</b>	6%	4%	1%	1%	1%	1%
	<b>B and C only</b>	14%	15%	29%	19%	34%	13%
	<b>C only</b>	3%	2%	4%	2%	1%	0%
	<b>C and D only</b>	4%	2%	14%	7%	5%	2%
	<b>D only</b>	2%	1%	2%	0%	0%	0%
	<b>D and F only</b>	2%	0%	3%	0%	1%	1%
	<b>F only</b>	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%
	<b>Not applicable or no answer</b>	11%	9%	3%	6%	3%	1%

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**TABLE 4  
PERCEPTIONS OF SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT  
*Otter Tail County***

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
<b>How many students in your school are friendly?</b>	<b>All</b>	5%	4%	3%	2%	3%	4%
	<b>Most</b>	54%	54%	62%	60%	73%	50%
	<b>Some</b>	32%	32%	26%	33%	21%	39%
	<b>A few</b>	9%	9%	9%	5%	3%	7%
	<b>None</b>	0%	2%	1%	0%	1%	0%
<b>How many students in your school behave well in the hallways and lunchroom?</b>	<b>All</b>	5%	4%	3%	3%	2%	3%
	<b>Most</b>	42%	34%	43%	50%	64%	53%
	<b>Some</b>	36%	43%	39%	36%	23%	35%
	<b>A few</b>	15%	16%	13%	10%	8%	10%
	<b>None</b>	2%	3%	2%	1%	3%	0%
<b>How many students in your school have made fun of or threatened students of different races or backgrounds?</b>	<b>All</b>	2%	4%	4%	2%	0%	0%
	<b>Most</b>	12%	13%	12%	8%	10%	10%
	<b>Some</b>	18%	18%	22%	23%	25%	24%
	<b>A few</b>	43%	44%	46%	50%	47%	56%
	<b>None</b>	26%	21%	15%	17%	18%	11%
<b>How many of your teachers are interested in you as a person?</b>	<b>All</b>	22%	23%	6%	6%	4%	11%
	<b>Most</b>	33%	40%	28%	31%	37%	38%
	<b>Some</b>	21%	17%	28%	26%	36%	32%
	<b>A few</b>	17%	15%	23%	25%	17%	15%
	<b>None</b>	7%	6%	14%	12%	7%	4%
<b>How many of your teachers show respect for students?</b>	<b>All</b>	43%	50%	17%	25%	16%	14%
	<b>Most</b>	34%	33%	45%	51%	58%	58%
	<b>Some</b>	7%	9%	17%	13%	14%	18%
	<b>A few</b>	13%	5%	14%	8%	10%	10%
	<b>None</b>	3%	3%	7%	3%	3%	1%

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**TABLE 5**  
**PERCEPTIONS OF SCHOOL SAFETY**  
*Otter Tail County*

<i>How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
<b>I feel safe going to and from school</b>	<b>Strongly agree</b>	46%	37%	54%	44%	70%	65%
	<b>Agree</b>	46%	56%	38%	53%	29%	35%
	<b>Disagree</b>	7%	7%	6%	3%	1%	0%
	<b>Strongly disagree</b>	1%	1%	3%	0%	1%	0%
<b>I feel safe at school</b>	<b>Strongly agree</b>	43%	41%	43%	38%	64%	54%
	<b>Agree</b>	44%	52%	44%	53%	34%	45%
	<b>Disagree</b>	10%	6%	10%	9%	1%	1%
	<b>Strongly disagree</b>	4%	1%	3%	0%	1%	0%
<b>Bathrooms in this school are a safe place to be</b>	<b>Strongly agree</b>	26%	30%	34%	35%	55%	53%
	<b>Agree</b>	46%	49%	45%	51%	37%	44%
	<b>Disagree</b>	19%	15%	14%	12%	6%	1%
	<b>Strongly disagree</b>	9%	6%	7%	1%	2%	1%
<b>Illegal gang activity is a problem at this school</b>	<b>Strongly agree</b>	6%	3%	5%	2%	2%	1%
	<b>Agree</b>	5%	6%	11%	6%	3%	2%
	<b>Disagree</b>	23%	30%	37%	42%	30%	30%
	<b>Strongly disagree</b>	65%	60%	47%	49%	65%	67%
<b>Student use of alcohol or drugs is a problem at this school</b>	<b>Strongly agree</b>	8%	5%	19%	18%	19%	26%
	<b>Agree</b>	8%	8%	31%	40%	34%	44%
	<b>Disagree</b>	30%	34%	37%	34%	35%	25%
	<b>Strongly disagree</b>	54%	53%	14%	8%	12%	6%

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**TABLE 6**  
**VICTIMIZATION AT SCHOOL**  
*Otter Tail County*

			Grade					
			6th		9th		12th	
			Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
			%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 12 months, has anyone offered, sold, or given you an illegal drug on school property?	Yes		4%	5%	25%	13%	15%	7%
	No		96%	95%	75%	87%	85%	93%
During the last 12 months, how many times has someone stolen or deliberately damaged your property at school?	0 times		49%	59%	56%	62%	64%	66%
	1 time		21%	18%	14%	23%	17%	20%
	2 or 3 times		21%	18%	18%	14%	12%	12%
	4 or 5 times		5%	3%	7%	1%	5%	1%
	6 or more times		3%	3%	4%	0%	2%	1%
During the last 30 days, how many days did you not go to school because you felt unsafe at school or going to/from school?	0 days		96%	92%	81%	82%	90%	91%
	1 day		2%	7%	14%	14%	9%	9%
	2 or 3 days		2%	1%	3%	3%	1%	0%
	4 or 5 days		0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	6 or more days		1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%
During the last 12 months, which of the following has happened to you on school property? Has a student:	Insulted you?	Yes	70%	61%	73%	60%	62%	51%
		No	30%	39%	27%	40%	38%	49%
	Threatened you?	Yes	39%	24%	35%	14%	20%	9%
		No	61%	76%	65%	86%	80%	91%
	Pushed, shoved, or grabbed you?	Yes	70%	61%	68%	31%	44%	24%
		No	30%	39%	32%	69%	56%	76%
	Kicked, bitten, or hit you?	Yes	54%	44%	49%	17%	26%	7%
		No	46%	56%	51%	83%	74%	93%
	Stabbed you or fired a gun at you?	Yes	5%	0%	3%	1%	3%	0%
		No	95%	100%	97%	99%	97%	100%

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**TABLE 7A  
ACTIVITIES  
Otter Tail County**

<i>During the school year, how many hours in a typical week do you spend doing the following?</i>		<b>Grade</b>					
		<b>6th</b>		<b>9th</b>		<b>12th</b>	
		<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>
		<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Homework or study</b>	<b>0 hours</b>	8%	5%	12%	3%	15%	7%
	<b>1-2 hours</b>	58%	41%	51%	40%	51%	40%
	<b>3-5 hours</b>	19%	34%	22%	36%	23%	27%
	<b>6-10 hours</b>	9%	9%	12%	13%	9%	20%
	<b>11-20 hours</b>	4%	4%	1%	6%	1%	5%
	<b>21 hours or more</b>	3%	8%	2%	2%	1%	0%
<b>Band, choir, orchestra, music lessons, or practicing voice or an instrument</b>	<b>0 hours</b>	53%	28%	64%	42%	75%	47%
	<b>1-2 hours</b>	27%	36%	12%	24%	4%	13%
	<b>3-5 hours</b>	14%	20%	12%	22%	10%	22%
	<b>6-10 hours</b>	5%	10%	7%	8%	8%	12%
	<b>11-20 hours</b>	1%	5%	3%	3%	1%	4%
	<b>21 hours or more</b>	1%	2%	3%	1%	1%	1%
<b>Clubs or organizations outside of school</b>	<b>0 hours</b>	55%	42%	50%	43%	57%	41%
	<b>1-2 hours</b>	22%	31%	23%	35%	22%	26%
	<b>3-5 hours</b>	13%	13%	13%	12%	9%	19%
	<b>6-10 hours</b>	7%	6%	8%	7%	8%	10%
	<b>11-20 hours</b>	2%	4%	4%	2%	4%	3%
	<b>21 hours or more</b>	1%	3%	2%	0%	1%	1%
<b>Playing sports on a school team</b>	<b>0 hours</b>	37%	31%	33%	29%	48%	50%
	<b>1-2 hours</b>	15%	28%	7%	8%	3%	5%
	<b>3-5 hours</b>	20%	22%	15%	15%	7%	6%
	<b>6-10 hours</b>	13%	14%	19%	24%	14%	18%
	<b>11-20 hours</b>	7%	3%	16%	20%	18%	17%
	<b>21 hours or more</b>	8%	2%	10%	4%	10%	4%

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**TABLE 7B  
ACTIVITIES  
Otter Tail County**

<i>During the school year, how many hours in a typical week do you spend doing the following?</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Other physical activities	0 hours	21%	20%	17%	21%	26%	21%
	1-2 hours	31%	41%	28%	33%	17%	34%
	3-5 hours	23%	15%	24%	27%	26%	31%
	6-10 hours	12%	14%	15%	12%	16%	8%
	11-20 hours	6%	5%	9%	4%	8%	2%
	21 hours or more	8%	5%	8%	2%	6%	3%
Attending services, groups, or programs at a church, synagogue, or mosque	0 hours	35%	33%	31%	25%	42%	33%
	1-2 hours	45%	44%	48%	54%	45%	53%
	3-5 hours	14%	18%	13%	17%	9%	10%
	6-10 hours	3%	3%	4%	3%	2%	3%
	11-20 hours	1%	1%	2%	0%	0%	1%
	21 hours or more	3%	1%	2%	1%	1%	0%
Reading for pleasure	0 hours	36%	22%	60%	34%	59%	33%
	1-2 hours	35%	38%	26%	41%	28%	39%
	3-5 hours	13%	26%	9%	17%	10%	16%
	6-10 hours	10%	8%	3%	6%	1%	9%
	11-20 hours	4%	3%	2%	1%	0%	4%
	21 hours or more	3%	3%	1%	1%	1%	0%
Watching TV or videos	0 hours	3%	2%	4%	5%	10%	5%
	1-2 hours	28%	30%	18%	28%	23%	31%
	3-5 hours	23%	28%	25%	33%	26%	30%
	6-10 hours	21%	21%	22%	16%	26%	21%
	11-20 hours	10%	10%	12%	12%	9%	7%
	21 hours or more	15%	10%	19%	6%	8%	7%
Playing computer or video games	0 hours	12%	25%	14%	27%	29%	42%
	1-2 hours	34%	43%	28%	35%	34%	32%
	3-5 hours	21%	14%	21%	21%	17%	12%
	6-10 hours	13%	9%	13%	11%	7%	9%
	11-20 hours	7%	7%	13%	5%	8%	4%
	21 hours or more	12%	2%	10%	2%	5%	1%



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**TABLE 7C  
ACTIVITIES**

***Otter Tail County***

<i>During the school year, how many hours in a typical week do you spend doing the following?</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
<b>Volunteer work or community service</b>	<b>0 hours</b>	70%	63%	59%	66%	66%	57%
	<b>1-2 hours</b>	18%	27%	32%	26%	23%	26%
	<b>3-5 hours</b>	9%	10%	4%	7%	7%	7%
	<b>6-10 hours</b>	3%	1%	2%	1%	3%	6%
	<b>11-20 hours</b>	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	2%
	<b>21 hours or more</b>	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%
<b>Chores at home/babysitting for family</b>	<b>0 hours</b>	19%	7%	19%	6%	26%	13%
	<b>1-2 hours</b>	43%	42%	33%	40%	36%	39%
	<b>3-5 hours</b>	16%	26%	24%	33%	18%	26%
	<b>6-10 hours</b>	13%	13%	10%	13%	10%	11%
	<b>11-20 hours</b>	5%	7%	7%	5%	4%	7%
	<b>21 hours or more</b>	4%	5%	7%	3%	5%	4%
<b>Work for pay (including babysitting for others)</b>	<b>0 hours</b>	42%	37%	37%	34%	22%	16%
	<b>1-2 hours</b>	25%	21%	16%	26%	5%	3%
	<b>3-5 hours</b>	16%	23%	16%	21%	13%	10%
	<b>6-10 hours</b>	12%	12%	11%	14%	12%	20%
	<b>11-20 hours</b>	3%	4%	11%	4%	23%	29%
	<b>21 hours or more</b>	3%	3%	8%	1%	25%	22%
<b>Hanging out</b>	<b>0 hours</b>	18%	11%	11%	6%	11%	5%
	<b>1-2 hours</b>	30%	23%	21%	15%	12%	9%
	<b>3-5 hours</b>	19%	27%	22%	32%	15%	23%
	<b>6-10 hours</b>	16%	19%	20%	20%	29%	28%
	<b>11-20 hours</b>	7%	10%	10%	16%	14%	17%
	<b>21 hours or more</b>	9%	9%	16%	11%	18%	18%

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**TABLE 8**  
**COMPUTER USE AT HOME**  
*Otter Tail County*

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
<b>Do you use a computer at home?</b>	<b>Yes</b>	82%	83%	84%	80%	79%	83%
	<b>No</b>	18%	17%	16%	20%	21%	17%

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
<b>Do you use the Internet at home?</b>	<b>Yes</b>	66%	61%	69%	66%	66%	69%
	<b>No</b>	34%	39%	31%	34%	34%	31%
<b>What do you use the Internet for at home? (Mark all that apply)</b>	<b>E-mail</b>	52%	51%	61%	65%	62%	69%
	<b>Surfing the web</b>	47%	37%	54%	40%	48%	53%
	<b>Chat rooms</b>	23%	22%	32%	31%	21%	22%
	<b>Listening to or downloading music</b>	35%	28%	43%	47%	40%	36%
	<b>Playing games</b>	58%	46%	53%	33%	38%	24%
	<b>Entertainment or sports</b>	39%	16%	41%	18%	29%	12%
	<b>Homework or other research</b>	45%	49%	43%	52%	47%	57%
	<b>Shopping</b>	13%	18%	21%	21%	16%	21%

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**TABLE 9  
FAMILY COMPOSITION AND PARENTAL COMMUNICATION  
Otter Tail County**

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
<b>Which adults do you live with?</b>	<b>Both biological parents</b>	65%	55%	59%	66%	68%	71%
	<b>Both adoptive parents</b>	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%
	<b>Mother and stepfather</b>	4%	9%	8%	7%	6%	8%
	<b>Father and stepmother</b>	1%	4%	2%	0%	1%	0%
	<b>Mother only</b>	9%	12%	13%	15%	10%	11%
	<b>Father only</b>	2%	1%	5%	3%	4%	4%
	<b>Sometimes with mother, sometimes with father</b>	10%	12%	4%	6%	4%	1%
	<b>Other</b>	5%	4%	6%	2%	5%	1%
	<b>No adults or no answer</b>	2%	3%	3%	0%	2%	2%
<b>Can you talk to your father about problems you are having?</b>	<b>Yes, most of the time</b>	42%	24%	37%	23%	42%	23%
	<b>Yes, some of the time</b>	31%	36%	31%	30%	26%	29%
	<b>No, not very often</b>	15%	26%	17%	27%	15%	28%
	<b>No, not at all</b>	7%	5%	10%	13%	10%	12%
	<b>My father is not around</b>	5%	8%	6%	7%	7%	7%
<b>Can you talk to your mother about problems you are having?</b>	<b>Yes, most of the time</b>	54%	68%	44%	49%	48%	39%
	<b>Yes, some of the time</b>	28%	21%	34%	33%	34%	40%
	<b>No, not very often</b>	12%	7%	14%	13%	12%	16%
	<b>No, not at all</b>	6%	3%	5%	4%	4%	4%
	<b>My mother is not around</b>	2%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%

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**TABLE 12  
PERCEPTIONS OF FAMILY CARING  
*Otter Tail County***

<i>How much do you feel ...</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
... your parents care about you?	Not at all	1%	2%	2%	2%	0%	1%
	A little	3%	2%	5%	2%	0%	2%
	Some	4%	2%	6%	5%	5%	5%
	Quite a bit	8%	7%	13%	11%	15%	10%
	Very much	84%	87%	74%	80%	80%	82%
... other adult relatives care about you?	Not at all	1%	2%	4%	1%	1%	1%
	A little	4%	2%	6%	4%	3%	4%
	Some	10%	3%	14%	10%	11%	10%
	Quite a bit	23%	14%	25%	23%	28%	29%
	Very much	63%	79%	52%	61%	57%	56%
... your family cares about your feelings?	Not at all	4%	4%	5%	5%	1%	4%
	A little	9%	8%	14%	5%	4%	9%
	Some	14%	11%	14%	21%	17%	16%
	Quite a bit	27%	26%	22%	31%	34%	33%
	Very much	45%	51%	44%	38%	44%	39%
... your family understands you?	Not at all	9%	11%	12%	12%	8%	9%
	A little	10%	9%	15%	17%	14%	15%
	Some	19%	13%	21%	33%	22%	32%
	Quite a bit	30%	36%	27%	23%	34%	29%
	Very much	32%	30%	25%	16%	23%	16%
... your family has lots of fun together?	Not at all	5%	6%	7%	10%	8%	8%
	A little	14%	9%	18%	14%	18%	14%
	Some	19%	17%	24%	26%	22%	29%
	Quite a bit	31%	27%	27%	26%	34%	33%
	Very much	31%	41%	23%	25%	18%	16%
... your family respects your privacy?	Not at all	11%	7%	14%	10%	4%	13%
	A little	11%	12%	10%	16%	12%	13%
	Some	11%	20%	21%	21%	23%	23%
	Quite a bit	35%	27%	25%	30%	30%	29%
	Very much	31%	34%	29%	24%	30%	22%

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**TABLE 11  
PERCEPTIONS OF OTHERS CARING  
Otter Tail County**

<i>How much do you feel ...</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
... friends care about you?	Not at all	3%	2%	5%	1%	2%	0%
	A little	15%	6%	14%	6%	8%	7%
	Some	27%	20%	21%	17%	16%	27%
	Quite a bit	35%	29%	40%	34%	49%	30%
	Very much	20%	44%	19%	41%	25%	36%
... teachers or other adults at school care about you? *	Not at all	5%	2%	12%	7%	5%	5%
	A little	23%	12%	23%	20%	16%	18%
	Some	23%	27%	33%	34%	35%	37%
	Quite a bit	29%	42%	25%	28%	37%	33%
	Very much	19%	16%	7%	11%	7%	7%
... church or spiritual leaders care about you? *	Not at all	11%	10%	15%	7%	6%	18%
	A little	12%	12%	12%	16%	17%	10%
	Some	17%	21%	25%	21%	25%	25%
	Quite a bit	31%	27%	24%	30%	32%	30%
	Very much	28%	31%	24%	26%	19%	17%
... police officers care about you?	Not at all	11%	11%	31%	20%	30%	23%
	A little	15%	15%	24%	20%	21%	28%
	Some	21%	17%	23%	26%	28%	31%
	Quite a bit	23%	25%	17%	22%	17%	11%
	Very much	29%	32%	5%	12%	3%	6%
... other adults in your community care about you?	Not at all	7%	4%	15%	12%	10%	11%
	A little	17%	18%	27%	26%	20%	17%
	Some	28%	25%	32%	24%	42%	46%
	Quite a bit	35%	30%	21%	30%	23%	17%
	Very much	13%	22%	5%	9%	5%	9%

\* Variations in wording for this item affect year-to-year comparisons.

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**TABLE 12  
FAMILY SUBSTANCE ABUSE  
*Otter Tail County***

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
<b>Has alcohol use by any family member repeatedly caused family, health, job, or legal problems?</b>	<b>Yes</b>	12%	17%	17%	19%	11%	23%
	<b>No</b>	88%	83%	83%	81%	89%	77%
<b>If yes, whose use? (Mark all that apply)</b>	<b>Parent who lives with me</b>	5%	9%	5%	7%	7%	9%
	<b>Parent who doesn't live with me</b>	2%	4%	6%	7%	2%	6%
	<b>Other relative</b>	7%	8%	11%	9%	4%	9%
<b>Has drug use by any family member repeatedly caused family, health, job, or legal problems?</b>	<b>Yes</b>	8%	12%	7%	11%	4%	7%
	<b>No</b>	92%	88%	93%	89%	96%	93%
<b>If yes, whose use? (Mark all that apply)</b>	<b>Parent who lives with me</b>	3%	4%	3%	1%	2%	1%
	<b>Parent who doesn't live with me</b>	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%	0%
	<b>Other relative</b>	6%	7%	4%	8%	3%	6%

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**TABLE 13  
FAMILY/DATE VIOLENCE  
*Otter Tail County***

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
<b>Have you ever been the victim of violence on a date? *</b>	<b>Yes</b>			4%	4%	3%	7%
	<b>No</b>			96%	96%	97%	93%
<b>Has any adult in your household ever hit you so hard that you had marks or were afraid of that person?</b>	<b>Yes</b>	13%	14%	12%	9%	3%	11%
	<b>No</b>	87%	86%	88%	91%	97%	89%
<b>Has anyone in your family ever hit anyone else in the family so hard that they had marks or were afraid of that person?</b>	<b>Yes</b>	12%	15%	10%	13%	6%	14%
	<b>No</b>	88%	85%	90%	87%	94%	86%

\* 6th grade survey did not ask this question.

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**TABLE 14  
SEXUAL ABUSE  
Otter Tail County**

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Have you ever been the victim of date rape? *	Yes			4%	3%	2%	1%
	No			96%	97%	98%	99%
Has any older person outside the family touched you sexually against your wishes or forced you to touch them sexually?	Yes	2%	6%	4%	5%	2%	6%
	No	98%	94%	96%	95%	98%	94%
Has any older/stronger member of your family touched you sexually or had you touch them sexually?	Yes	2%	3%	2%	4%	1%	7%
	No	98%	97%	98%	96%	99%	93%

\* 6th grade survey did not ask this question.



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**TABLE 15**  
**GENERAL HEALTH ISSUES**  
**Otter Tail County**

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
<b>When was the last time you had a physical exam?</b>	<b>Within the last 12 months</b>	41%	39%	27%	22%	26%	36%
	<b>1-2 years ago</b>	23%	27%	58%	66%	42%	45%
	<b>3-4 years ago</b>	8%	5%	9%	8%	23%	15%
	<b>More than 4 years ago</b>	9%	10%	1%	1%	4%	0%
	<b>I have never had a physical exam</b>	20%	19%	4%	3%	5%	4%
<b>Have you ever been treated for an alcohol or other drug problem? *</b>	<b>No</b>			94%	97%	96%	99%
	<b>Yes</b>			6%	3%	4%	1%
<b>Do you have a mental or physical health problem that has lasted at least 12 months?</b>	<b>No</b>	86%	90%	86%	89%	92%	90%
	<b>Yes</b>	14%	10%	14%	11%	8%	10%
<b>In the past 12 months, how often have you blacked out because someone hit you in the head?</b>	<b>Never</b>	89%	95%	92%	98%	91%	97%
	<b>Once</b>	8%	5%	7%	2%	7%	2%
	<b>Two times or more</b>	3%	0%	1%	0%	2%	1%
<b>In the past 12 months, how often have you blacked out because you fell or were accidentally hit in the head?</b>	<b>Never</b>	79%	88%	86%	91%	91%	93%
	<b>Once</b>	16%	10%	11%	8%	6%	4%
	<b>Two times or more</b>	6%	2%	2%	1%	3%	2%

\* 6th grade survey did not ask this question.

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**TABLE 16**  
**WEIGHT-RELATED ISSUES**  
*Otter Tail County*

			Grade					
			6th		9th		12th	
			Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
			%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 12 months, have you ever eaten so much in a short time that you felt out of control (binge-eating)? *	Yes				15%	24%	14%	28%
	No				85%	76%	86%	72%
At the present time, do you think you are...	Underweight		14%	12%	13%	7%	14%	4%
	About the right weight		62%	66%	66%	61%	72%	59%
	Overweight		24%	23%	21%	32%	13%	37%
During the last 12 months, have you done any of the following to lose or control weight? (Mark all that apply) *	Exercise	Yes			59%	82%	60%	74%
		No			41%	18%	40%	26%
	Fast or skip meals	Yes			18%	41%	17%	57%
		No			82%	59%	83%	43%
	Smoke cigarettes	Yes			8%	7%	9%	27%
		No			92%	93%	91%	73%
	Use diet pills or speed	Yes			2%	8%	2%	15%
		No			98%	92%	98%	85%
	Vomit on purpose after eating	Yes			1%	8%	1%	6%
		No			99%	92%	99%	94%
	Use laxatives	Yes			3%	2%	3%	1%
		No			97%	98%	97%	99%

\* 6th grade survey did not ask this question.

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**TABLE 17  
EXERCISE**

## *Otter Tail County*

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
<b>On how many of the last 7 days did you exercise or play sports that made you sweat or breathe hard for at least 20 minutes?</b>	<b>0 days</b>	12%	8%	18%	21%	18%	30%
	<b>1 day</b>	9%	7%	5%	9%	3%	7%
	<b>2 days</b>	10%	8%	17%	13%	17%	19%
	<b>3 days</b>	13%	14%	8%	10%	10%	14%
	<b>4 days</b>	11%	17%	8%	9%	8%	9%
	<b>5 days</b>	15%	14%	15%	21%	15%	10%
	<b>6 days</b>	6%	10%	8%	10%	10%	8%
	<b>7 days</b>	26%	21%	20%	7%	18%	2%
<b>On how many of the last 7 days were you physically active for a combined total of at least 30 minutes?</b>	<b>0 days</b>	7%	4%	8%	11%	7%	21%
	<b>1 day</b>	7%	10%	3%	6%	8%	10%
	<b>2 days</b>	11%	6%	13%	13%	8%	16%
	<b>3 days</b>	15%	16%	8%	11%	11%	13%
	<b>4 days</b>	11%	20%	10%	10%	6%	13%
	<b>5 days</b>	13%	17%	20%	21%	14%	16%
	<b>6 days</b>	10%	7%	8%	12%	15%	7%
	<b>7 days</b>	27%	20%	31%	16%	31%	6%

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**TABLE 18**  
**NUTRITION**  
**Otter Tail County**

<i>How many glasses of each of the following did you drink yesterday?</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
<b>Milk</b>	<b>0 glasses</b>	4%	16%	11%	21%	14%	23%
	<b>1-2 glasses</b>	45%	48%	42%	52%	38%	56%
	<b>3-4 glasses</b>	34%	26%	31%	20%	31%	19%
	<b>5 or more glasses</b>	17%	10%	15%	8%	16%	2%
<b>100% fruit juice</b>	<b>0 glasses</b>	41%	44%	38%	49%	43%	49%
	<b>1-2 glasses</b>	44%	40%	41%	42%	39%	42%
	<b>3-4 glasses</b>	10%	13%	13%	5%	14%	8%
	<b>5 or more glasses</b>	5%	3%	8%	4%	4%	2%
<b>Fruit juice drinks</b>	<b>0 glasses</b>	43%	47%	48%	52%	61%	56%
	<b>1-2 glasses</b>	45%	41%	34%	39%	31%	39%
	<b>3-4 glasses</b>	9%	7%	10%	7%	4%	5%
	<b>5 or more glasses</b>	3%	4%	8%	2%	4%	0%
<b>Pop or soda</b>	<b>0 glasses</b>	31%	42%	20%	42%	25%	27%
	<b>1-2 glasses</b>	38%	41%	46%	44%	38%	48%
	<b>3-4 glasses</b>	17%	9%	17%	10%	24%	17%
	<b>5 or more glasses</b>	15%	8%	16%	5%	13%	8%
<b>Sports drinks</b>	<b>0 glasses</b>	64%	79%	70%	84%	75%	93%
	<b>1-2 glasses</b>	21%	14%	20%	12%	19%	5%
	<b>3-4 glasses</b>	8%	3%	5%	3%	3%	0%
	<b>5 or more glasses</b>	6%	4%	4%	1%	4%	2%
<b>Water</b>	<b>0 glasses</b>	4%	4%	9%	11%	13%	12%
	<b>1-2 glasses</b>	22%	29%	22%	28%	29%	38%
	<b>3-4 glasses</b>	23%	28%	28%	27%	22%	29%
	<b>5 or more glasses</b>	52%	39%	41%	34%	36%	22%
<b>How many servings of fruits, fruit juices, or vegetables did you eat yesterday?</b>	<b>0 servings</b>	5%	3%	10%	10%	11%	13%
	<b>1 serving</b>	16%	13%	14%	13%	18%	24%
	<b>2 servings</b>	16%	18%	24%	22%	22%	25%
	<b>3 servings</b>	21%	23%	22%	25%	21%	21%
	<b>4 servings</b>	23%	19%	13%	16%	14%	10%
	<b>5 or more servings</b>	19%	24%	17%	15%	14%	7%

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**TABLE 19  
SEAT BELT USE**

***Otter Tail County***

<i>How often do you wear a seat belt when you ...</i>		<b>Grade</b>					
		<b>6th</b>		<b>9th</b>		<b>12th</b>	
		<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>
		<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>...ride in a car?</b>	<b>Never</b>	5%	5%	8%	3%	14%	4%
	<b>Sometimes</b>	27%	17%	31%	28%	40%	32%
	<b>Often</b>	34%	35%	32%	34%	26%	34%
	<b>Always</b>	34%	42%	29%	35%	20%	30%
<b>...drive a car? *</b>	<b>I never do this activity</b>			23%	35%	6%	1%
	<b>Never</b>			8%	3%	10%	1%
	<b>Sometimes</b>			12%	10%	27%	21%
	<b>Often</b>			13%	9%	17%	18%
	<b>Always</b>			44%	44%	39%	58%

\* 6th grade survey did not ask this question.

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**TABLE 20  
SOURCES OF INFORMATION ON RISK BEHAVIORS  
Otter Tail County**

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
<b>Where have you received most of your information about alcohol and other drugs? (Mark all that apply)</b>	<b>Friends or peers</b>	28%	37%	61%	75%	75%	87%
	<b>Parents</b>	43%	61%	50%	55%	38%	40%
	<b>Brothers or sisters</b>	16%	24%	21%	32%	23%	27%
	<b>School, teachers, or counselors</b>	74%	87%	59%	67%	49%	53%
	<b>Clinics, doctors, or nurses</b>	15%	15%	8%	9%	5%	8%
	<b>Internet</b>	11%	10%	14%	13%	9%	9%
	<b>TV, radio, magazines, newspapers, or books</b>	37%	38%	50%	47%	36%	50%
	<b>I do not know much about alcohol or drugs</b>	4%	2%	5%	3%	4%	1%
<b>Where have you received most of your information about sex? (Mark all that apply)</b>	<b>Friends or peers</b>	38%	38%	62%	77%	77%	80%
	<b>Parents</b>	39%	57%	37%	45%	29%	26%
	<b>Brothers or sisters</b>	19%	17%	12%	26%	13%	15%
	<b>School, teachers, or counselors</b>	37%	37%	55%	58%	38%	33%
	<b>Clinics, doctors, or nurses</b>	8%	10%	9%	10%	2%	12%
	<b>Internet</b>	16%	9%	22%	9%	12%	4%
	<b>TV, radio, magazines, newspapers, or books</b>	32%	33%	45%	44%	43%	52%
	<b>I do not know much about sex</b>	15%	11%	4%	1%	3%	2%

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**TABLE 21**  
**SELF-ESTEEM \***  
**Otter Tail County**

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
I usually feel good about myself.	Disagree	7%	7%	7%	13%	3%	4%
	Mostly disagree	5%	5%	3%	16%	4%	14%
	Mostly agree	35%	38%	47%	40%	43%	55%
	Agree	54%	51%	43%	31%	50%	27%
I am able to do things as well as most other people my age.	Disagree	8%	7%	4%	6%	2%	2%
	Mostly disagree	3%	2%	4%	6%	4%	7%
	Mostly agree	36%	34%	38%	40%	28%	37%
	Agree	54%	57%	53%	49%	66%	54%
On the whole, I'm satisfied with myself.	Disagree	5%	10%	6%	13%	3%	6%
	Mostly disagree	5%	4%	7%	17%	3%	11%
	Mostly agree	29%	38%	37%	38%	32%	50%
	Agree	61%	48%	50%	33%	62%	33%
I feel I do not have much to be proud of.	Agree	15%	11%	9%	10%	7%	6%
	Mostly agree	9%	10%	9%	19%	3%	14%
	Mostly disagree	24%	23%	22%	24%	26%	32%
	Disagree	51%	56%	59%	47%	63%	49%
Sometimes I think that I am no good.	Agree	15%	17%	12%	23%	5%	13%
	Mostly agree	7%	16%	7%	24%	9%	16%
	Mostly disagree	27%	26%	27%	23%	25%	37%
	Disagree	51%	41%	53%	30%	62%	34%
I feel that I can't do anything right.	Agree	11%	14%	8%	14%	4%	9%
	Mostly agree	8%	13%	7%	16%	6%	10%
	Mostly disagree	20%	24%	26%	31%	18%	34%
	Disagree	61%	49%	59%	40%	72%	46%
I feel that my life is not very useful.	Agree	10%	9%	6%	6%	5%	5%
	Mostly agree	7%	10%	5%	17%	6%	15%
	Mostly disagree	19%	25%	20%	26%	14%	26%
	Disagree	64%	55%	69%	51%	75%	54%

\* Responses on this table have been ordered so that the highest risk response is always first and the lowest risk response is always last.

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**TABLE 22**  
**EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING/DISTRESS**  
**Otter Tail County**

During the last 30 days ...		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
... how has your mood been?	Very bad	2%	3%	2%	2%	1%	2%
	Bad	4%	3%	1%	2%	0%	2%
	Up and down a lot	45%	57%	39%	58%	42%	49%
	Very good	38%	28%	44%	38%	45%	38%
	Excellent	12%	9%	14%	1%	12%	9%
... have you felt you were under any stress or pressure?	Yes, almost more than I could take	8%	12%	10%	13%	7%	18%
	Yes, quite a bit of pressure	12%	12%	20%	19%	24%	29%
	Yes, more than usual	14%	9%	13%	24%	25%	25%
	Yes, a little	52%	53%	43%	41%	36%	27%
	Not at all	14%	14%	14%	4%	8%	1%
... have you felt sad?	All the time	5%	4%	2%	4%	1%	1%
	Most of the time	4%	12%	7%	14%	3%	16%
	Some of the time	15%	26%	20%	41%	27%	27%
	Little of the time	54%	48%	45%	35%	54%	49%
	None of the time	22%	10%	26%	6%	14%	7%
... have you felt so discouraged or hopeless that you wondered if anything was worthwhile?	Extremely so, to the point that I have just about given up	5%	3%	2%	8%	2%	5%
	Quite a bit	8%	8%	7%	8%	8%	9%
	Some, enough to bother me	8%	11%	15%	22%	10%	18%
	A little bit	30%	30%	24%	32%	24%	26%
	Not at all	50%	48%	52%	30%	56%	42%
... have you felt nervous, worried, or upset?	All the time	7%	4%	5%	6%	2%	6%
	Most of the time	8%	7%	6%	20%	7%	14%
	Some of the time	25%	24%	28%	42%	31%	32%
	Little of the time	43%	54%	46%	28%	46%	44%
	None of the time	17%	11%	15%	4%	14%	4%
... how satisfied have you been with your personal life?	Very dissatisfied	4%	3%	3%	8%	4%	7%
	Somewhat dissatisfied	10%	13%	16%	19%	15%	18%
	Satisfied	31%	35%	35%	45%	35%	40%
	Very satisfied	33%	32%	32%	23%	35%	28%
	Extremely satisfied	22%	17%	13%	4%	11%	7%



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**TABLE 23  
SUICIDAL THOUGHTS AND BEHAVIOR  
*Otter Tail County***

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
<b>Have you ever thought about killing yourself?</b>	<b>No</b>	79%	77%	73%	61%	77%	62%
	<b>Yes, during the last year</b>	14%	17%	18%	28%	10%	21%
	<b>Yes, more than a year ago</b>	6%	6%	9%	12%	14%	18%
<b>Have you ever tried to kill yourself?</b>	<b>No</b>	96%	93%	92%	87%	94%	90%
	<b>Yes, during the last year</b>	3%	5%	4%	9%	3%	3%
	<b>Yes, more than a year ago</b>	1%	2%	3%	4%	3%	7%

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**TABLE 24  
GAMBLING BEHAVIOR \*  
Otter Tail County**

<i>During the last 12 months, how often have you done these activities?</i>		<b>Grade</b>			
		<b>9th</b>		<b>12th</b>	
		<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>
		<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Played cards for money</b>	<b>Not at all</b>	53%	76%	35%	73%
	<b>Less than once a month</b>	26%	16%	36%	21%
	<b>About once a month</b>	12%	4%	15%	4%
	<b>About once a week</b>	7%	2%	10%	1%
	<b>Daily</b>	3%	1%	5%	1%
<b>Bet on games of personal skill like pool, golf, or bowling</b>	<b>Not at all</b>	50%	79%	46%	85%
	<b>Less than once a month</b>	22%	12%	31%	8%
	<b>About once a month</b>	16%	5%	12%	4%
	<b>About once a week</b>	7%	3%	6%	2%
	<b>Daily</b>	5%	0%	5%	1%
<b>Bet money on sports teams</b>	<b>Not at all</b>	58%	87%	54%	89%
	<b>Less than once a month</b>	18%	9%	30%	10%
	<b>About once a month</b>	13%	2%	8%	1%
	<b>About once a week</b>	7%	1%	5%	1%
	<b>Daily</b>	4%	0%	3%	0%
<b>Bought lottery tickets or scratch-offs</b>	<b>Not at all</b>	83%	88%	35%	45%
	<b>Less than once a month</b>	6%	8%	23%	31%
	<b>About once a month</b>	4%	3%	19%	18%
	<b>About once a week</b>	3%	0%	19%	5%
	<b>Daily</b>	4%	0%	5%	1%
<b>Gambled in a casino</b>	<b>Not at all</b>	95%	99%	70%	75%
	<b>Less than once a month</b>	2%	0%	23%	22%
	<b>About once a month</b>	0%	0%	2%	2%
	<b>About once a week</b>	0%	0%	3%	1%
	<b>Daily</b>	2%	0%	3%	1%

\* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

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**TABLE 25**  
**GAMBLING CONSEQUENCES \***  
**Otter Tail County**

<i>During the last 12 months, have you ever felt ...</i>		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
... bad about the amount you bet, or about what happens when you bet money?	Yes	5%	2%	11%	5%
	No	58%	28%	64%	47%
	I don't bet for money	37%	69%	25%	47%
... that you would like to stop betting money but didn't think you could?	Yes	5%	0%	4%	1%
	No	58%	30%	71%	52%
	I don't bet for money	37%	69%	25%	47%

\* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

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**TABLE 26**  
**DESTRUCTIVE AND ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOR**  
**Otter Tail County**

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 12 months, how often have you run away from home?	Never	94%	93%	91%	94%	94%	90%
	Once or twice	5%	6%	4%	5%	3%	8%
	3 to 5 times	1%	1%	2%	0%	1%	1%
	6 to 10 times	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%
	More than 10 times	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%
During the last 12 months, how often have you damaged or destroyed property at school or somewhere else?	Never	76%	89%	69%	86%	73%	86%
	Once or twice	17%	7%	21%	11%	19%	10%
	3 to 5 times	5%	2%	6%	1%	4%	1%
	6 to 10 times	0%	1%	1%	0%	2%	1%
	More than 10 times	2%	1%	3%	1%	2%	1%
During the last 12 months, how often have you hit or beat up another person?	Never	57%	70%	62%	71%	73%	83%
	Once or twice	28%	20%	21%	19%	20%	13%
	3 to 5 times	6%	6%	10%	7%	2%	2%
	6 to 10 times	3%	1%	1%	0%	2%	1%
	More than 10 times	6%	3%	6%	3%	3%	1%
During the last 12 months, how often have you taken something from a store without paying for it?	Never	92%	94%	73%	83%	70%	70%
	Once or twice	6%	3%	17%	11%	17%	10%
	3 to 5 times	1%	1%	5%	1%	4%	7%
	6 to 10 times	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%	5%
	More than 10 times	1%	1%	3%	3%	8%	8%
Do you get a real kick out of doing things that are a little dangerous?	Not at all	33%	47%	27%	35%	22%	34%
	A little	37%	42%	44%	51%	44%	52%
	Quite a bit	18%	6%	15%	10%	18%	10%
	Very much	12%	5%	14%	4%	16%	4%
On how many of the last 30 days did you carry a gun on school property?	0 days	99%	99%	97%	100%	96%	100%
	1 day	1%	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%
	2 or 3 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	4 or 5 days	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%
	6 or more days	1%	1%	1%	0%	2%	0%
On how many of the last 30 days did you carry a weapon (other than a gun) on school property?	0 days	92%	96%	84%	98%	89%	99%
	1 day	5%	2%	7%	0%	3%	1%
	2 or 3 days	2%	2%	4%	0%	0%	0%
	4 or 5 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
	6 or more days	1%	0%	6%	2%	7%	1%

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**TABLE 27**  
**SUMMARY OF SUBSTANCE USE \***  
*Otter Tail County*

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Use of any tobacco products during the past year	No	91%	92%	64%	72%	43%	52%
	Yes	9%	8%	36%	28%	57%	48%
DAILY use of any tobacco products during the past year	No	98%	99%	91%	94%	70%	76%
	Yes	2%	1%	9%	6%	30%	24%
Frequent binge drinking in the past year (typically drank 5 or more drinks at a time and drank on 10 or more occasions during the past year)	No	99%	99%	89%	94%	64%	75%
	Yes	1%	1%	11%	6%	36%	25%
Any alcohol and/or other drug use during the past year (excluding tobacco)	No alcohol or other drug use in the past year	69%	80%	53%	49%	27%	25%
	Used only alcohol in the past year	22%	14%	25%	34%	45%	46%
	Used only other drugs in the past year	1%	2%	2%	2%	0%	0%
	Used both alcohol and other drugs in the past year	7%	5%	20%	15%	28%	29%

\* These are all computed variables based on combinations of responses to two or more survey items.

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**TABLE 28  
CIGARETTE USE  
Otter Tail County**

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
<b>During the last 12 months, how often have you used cigarettes? *</b>	<b>Not at all</b>	92%	93%	75%	73%	61%	53%
	<b>Less than monthly</b>	5%	4%	9%	14%	11%	12%
	<b>Monthly</b>	1%	2%	4%	5%	4%	4%
	<b>Weekly</b>	1%	1%	5%	2%	5%	8%
	<b>Daily</b>	2%	1%	7%	6%	19%	23%
<b>During the last 30 days, on how many days did you smoke a cigarette?</b>	<b>0 days</b>	95%	94%	81%	83%	68%	61%
	<b>1 or 2 days</b>	3%	2%	7%	8%	3%	5%
	<b>3 to 5 days</b>	1%	1%	2%	1%	4%	5%
	<b>6 to 9 days</b>	0%	1%	3%	0%	3%	4%
	<b>10 to 19 days</b>	1%	2%	1%	2%	4%	5%
	<b>20 to 29 days</b>	1%	0%	2%	1%	5%	7%
	<b>All 30 days</b>	1%	0%	4%	3%	13%	14%
<b>During the last 30 days, how frequently have you smoked cigarettes?</b>	<b>Never</b>	95%	95%	82%	84%	71%	60%
	<b>Less than one cigarette per day</b>	4%	4%	10%	11%	9%	9%
	<b>One to five cigarettes per day</b>	1%	1%	4%	3%	9%	18%
	<b>About one-half pack per day</b>	1%	0%	1%	1%	3%	5%
	<b>About one pack per day</b>	0%	1%	2%	0%	6%	7%
	<b>About one and one-half packs per day</b>	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%
	<b>Two packs or more per day</b>	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
<b>If you have not smoked a cigarette in the last year, do you think you will during the next year?</b>	<b>Definitely yes</b>	2%	3%	6%	5%	9%	7%
	<b>Probably yes</b>	6%	2%	8%	11%	12%	10%
	<b>Probably not</b>	16%	10%	21%	20%	21%	17%
	<b>Definitely not</b>	76%	85%	65%	64%	57%	67%

\* Variations in wording for this item affect year-to-year comparisons.

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**TABLE 29  
CIGAR AND SMOKELESS TOBACCO USE  
Otter Tail County**

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
<b>During the last 12 months, how often have you used chewing tobacco or snuff? *</b>	<b>Not at all</b>	96%	97%	80%	98%	68%	97%
	<b>Less than monthly</b>	3%	2%	10%	1%	9%	2%
	<b>Monthly</b>	0%	1%	2%	0%	5%	1%
	<b>Weekly</b>	0%	0%	4%	0%	5%	0%
	<b>Daily</b>	1%	1%	4%	0%	13%	0%
<b>During the last 12 months, how often have you used cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars?</b>	<b>Not at all</b>	95%	98%	80%	98%	60%	90%
	<b>Less than monthly</b>	2%	2%	12%	1%	23%	8%
	<b>Monthly</b>	2%	0%	4%	0%	12%	1%
	<b>Weekly</b>	0%	0%	3%	0%	2%	0%
	<b>Daily</b>	1%	1%	2%	0%	3%	1%

\* Variations in wording for this item affect year-to-year comparisons.

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**TABLE 30**  
**ACCESS TO TOBACCO**  
*Otter Tail County*

<b>INCLUDES ONLY THOSE WHO USED TOBACCO IN THE LAST 30 DAYS</b>		<b>Grade</b>					
		<b>6th</b>		<b>9th</b>		<b>12th</b>	
		<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>
		<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>If you used tobacco, how did you get it in the last 30 days? (Mark all that apply)</b>	<b>Bought it at gas stations or convenience stores</b>	20%	17%	18%	15%	75%	71%
	<b>Bought it at bars or restaurants</b>	20%	8%	2%	0%	10%	11%
	<b>Bought it at grocery, discount, or drug stores</b>	10%	8%	0%	3%	22%	32%
	<b>Bought it at places like bowling alleys, video arcades, or pool halls</b>	40%	8%	5%	0%	3%	2%
	<b>Bought it from vending machines</b>	20%	8%	5%	0%	2%	0%
	<b>Bought it on the Internet *</b>			3%	0%	0%	0%
	<b>Got it from friends</b>	60%	33%	46%	53%	33%	59%
	<b>Got it from family members</b>	40%	25%	10%	10%	5%	11%
	<b>Got it by getting someone else to buy for me</b>	30%	33%	33%	33%	14%	30%
	<b>Took it from my home</b>	60%	42%	11%	10%	5%	4%
	<b>Took it from a friend's home</b>	30%	17%	7%	3%	2%	0%
	<b>Took it from stores</b>	20%	17%	7%	0%	8%	9%

<b>INCLUDES ONLY THOSE WHO BOUGHT TOBACCO IN THE LAST 30 DAYS</b>		<b>Grade</b>					
		<b>6th</b>		<b>9th</b>		<b>12th</b>	
		<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>
		<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>If you bought tobacco in the last 30 days, did you use a fake ID?</b>	<b>Yes</b>	4%	25%	7%	0%	5%	2%
	<b>No</b>	96%	75%	93%	100%	95%	98%

\* 6th grade survey did not provide this response option.



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**TABLE 31**  
**ALCOHOL USE FREQUENCY AND QUANTITY**  
**Otter Tail County**

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
On how many occasions (if any) have you had alcoholic beverages to drink during the last 12 months?	0	71%	83%	53%	51%	28%	24%
	1-2	12%	10%	11%	17%	6%	11%
	3-5	9%	3%	10%	11%	9%	14%
	6-9	3%	2%	8%	8%	8%	11%
	10-19	3%	1%	7%	7%	16%	16%
	20-39	1%	1%	6%	4%	10%	6%
	40+	2%	1%	5%	2%	23%	18%
On how many occasions (if any) have you had alcoholic beverages to drink during the last 30 days?	0	86%	94%	66%	72%	38%	40%
	1-2	8%	2%	16%	15%	18%	31%
	3-5	2%	2%	7%	9%	14%	12%
	6-9	2%	1%	7%	3%	12%	11%
	10-19	2%	1%	3%	1%	9%	4%
	20-39	0%	0%	1%	0%	6%	2%
	40+	1%	0%	1%	1%	4%	1%
If you drink beer/wine/wine coolers/hard liquor, generally, how much (if any) do you drink at one time?	I don't drink beer/wine/wine coolers/hard liquor	76%	88%	56%	53%	29%	25%
	1 glass, can, or drink	16%	10%	11%	20%	7%	14%
	2 glasses, cans, or drinks	3%	1%	6%	7%	4%	8%
	3 glasses, cans, or drinks	2%	1%	5%	7%	9%	11%
	4 glasses, cans, or drinks	2%	0%	5%	4%	6%	13%
	5 glasses, cans, or drinks	0%	0%	2%	2%	6%	11%
	6 or more glasses, cans, or drinks	2%	1%	14%	7%	37%	18%
Over the last 2 weeks, how many times (if any) have you had five or more drinks in a row? *	Never			80%	83%	51%	67%
	Once			7%	7%	12%	11%
	Twice			5%	5%	15%	10%
	3 - 5 times			5%	2%	10%	9%
	6 - 9 times			1%	0%	8%	1%
	10 or more times			2%	1%	4%	2%

\* 6th grade survey did not ask this question.

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**TABLE 32**  
**ACCESS TO ALCOHOL**  
**Otter Tail County**

<b>INCLUDES ONLY THOSE WHO USED ALCOHOL IN THE LAST 30 DAYS *</b>		<b>Grade</b>					
		<b>6th</b>		<b>9th</b>		<b>12th</b>	
		<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>
		<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>If you used alcohol, how did you get it in the last 30 days? (Mark all that apply)</b>	<b>Bought it at bars or restaurants</b>	4%	10%	6%	2%	10%	0%
	<b>Bought it at stores</b>	8%	20%	13%	6%	12%	7%
	<b>Bought it on the Internet **</b>			3%	0%	2%	0%
	<b>Got it from friends</b>	20%	40%	51%	46%	56%	71%
	<b>Got it from family members</b>	52%	50%	25%	43%	30%	29%
	<b>Got it by getting someone else to buy for me</b>	16%	20%	25%	28%	48%	54%
	<b>Got it at parties</b>	20%	30%	32%	56%	48%	58%
	<b>Took it from my home</b>	36%	60%	31%	30%	14%	11%
	<b>Took it from a friend's home</b>	12%	20%	13%	11%	6%	1%
	<b>Took it from stores</b>	4%	10%	12%	2%	3%	4%

<b>INCLUDES ONLY THOSE WHO BOUGHT ALCOHOL IN THE LAST 30 DAYS</b>		<b>Grade</b>					
		<b>6th</b>		<b>9th</b>		<b>12th</b>	
		<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>
		<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>If you bought alcohol in the last 30 days, did you use a fake ID?</b>	<b>Yes</b>	11%	12%	8%	3%	8%	3%
	<b>No</b>	89%	88%	92%	97%	92%	97%

\* In 1998, percentages were based on only recent alcohol users who cited a source. This year, percentages are based on all recent alcohol users, even if they skipped this question. This results in small decreases in many of the 2001 results. Therefore, these percentages are not comparable to previous survey results.

\*\* 6th grade survey did not provide this response option.

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**TABLE 33**  
**DRINKING AND DRIVING \***  
***Otter Tail County***

		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
<b>During the last 12 months, how many times have you driven a motor vehicle after using alcohol or drugs?</b>	<b>0 times or no use</b>	86%	97%	52%	51%
	<b>Once</b>	5%	2%	16%	20%
	<b>Twice</b>	4%	0%	5%	9%
	<b>3 or more times</b>	5%	1%	27%	20%
<b>Do you ever ride with friends after they have been using alcohol or drugs?</b>	<b>No</b>	63%	63%	42%	40%
	<b>Yes, but rarely</b>	19%	27%	40%	44%
	<b>Yes, often</b>	12%	3%	17%	15%
	<b>None of my friends use alcohol or other drugs</b>	6%	7%	1%	1%

\* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

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**TABLE 34**  
**MARIJUANA, INHALANTS, AND PRESCRIPTION DRUGS**  
*Otter Tail County*

<i>On how many occasions (if any) have you ...</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
... used marijuana (grass, pot) or hashish (hash, hash oil) during the last 12 months?	0	96%	98%	81%	87%	75%	72%
	1-2	2%	1%	6%	6%	6%	9%
	3-5	1%	1%	2%	3%	3%	6%
	6-9	0%	0%	2%	1%	3%	2%
	10-19	0%	1%	2%	2%	1%	3%
	20-39	0%	0%	3%	0%	4%	4%
	40+	2%	0%	4%	3%	9%	4%
... used marijuana (grass, pot) or hashish (hash, hash oil) during the last 30 days?	0	97%	99%	84%	94%	82%	88%
	1-2	0%	1%	5%	2%	5%	5%
	3-5	1%	0%	3%	1%	2%	3%
	6-9	1%	0%	4%	2%	4%	1%
	10-19	0%	0%	2%	1%	1%	3%
	20-39	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	0%
	40+	1%	0%	1%	1%	4%	1%
... sniffed glue or inhaled any other gases or sprays in order to get high during the last 12 months? *	0	93%	95%	97%	94%	96%	99%
	1-2	4%	3%	3%	3%	4%	1%
	3-5	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%
	6-9	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%
	10-19	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	20-39	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	40+	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%
... taken other people's prescription drugs during the last 12 months? *	0	98%	97%	96%	92%	92%	91%
	1-2	1%	2%	2%	5%	2%	5%
	3-5	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	3%
	6-9	0%	1%	0%	0%	2%	0%
	10-19	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%
	20-39	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
	40+	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%

\* Questions regarding use of these substances in the past 30 days were dropped due to low prevalence rates.

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**TABLE 35**  
**AMPHETAMINES, METHAMPHETAMINE, COCAINE, AND ECSTASY \***  
**Otter Tail County**

<i>During the last 12 months, on how many occasions (if any) have you ...</i>		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
... taken amphetamines on your own without a doctor telling you to take them?	0	94%	94%	95%	93%
	1-2	2%	1%	1%	2%
	3-5	2%	2%	0%	3%
	6-9	1%	1%	0%	2%
	10-19	1%	0%	3%	1%
	20-39	1%	1%	0%	0%
	40+	0%	0%	1%	0%
... used methamphetamine (meth, speed, crank, crystal meth) by any method?	0	95%	98%	95%	95%
	1-2	2%	1%	2%	2%
	3-5	2%	0%	0%	3%
	6-9	1%	0%	1%	0%
	10-19	1%	0%	1%	0%
	40+	0%	0%	1%	0%
... used "crack" (cocaine in chunk or rock form), or cocaine in any other form?	0	94%	96%	94%	97%
	1-2	4%	3%	2%	2%
	3-5	1%	0%	2%	0%
	6-9	1%	0%	0%	0%
	10-19	1%	0%	1%	1%
	20-39	0%	0%	0%	1%
	40+	0%	0%	1%	0%
... used MDMA ("ecstasy")?	0	98%	98%	96%	95%
	1-2	2%	2%	1%	4%
	3-5	0%	0%	1%	1%
	6-9	0%	0%	1%	0%
	10-19	0%	1%	0%	0%
	20-39	1%	0%	1%	0%

\* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions. Questions regarding use of these substances in the past 30 days were dropped due to low prevalence rates.

# 2001 Minnesota Student Survey

**TABLE 36**  
**HALLUCINOGENS, OPIATES, AND TRANQUILIZERS \***  
*Otter Tail County*

<i>During the last 12 months, on how many occasions (if any) have you ...</i>		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
... used LSD ("acid"), PCP, or other psychedelics?	0	96%	98%	95%	97%
	1-2	3%	0%	1%	2%
	3-5	0%	0%	0%	1%
	6-9	0%	0%	2%	1%
	10-19	1%	1%	1%	0%
	20-39	0%	0%	0%	0%
	40+	1%	0%	0%	0%
... used heroin or any other narcotics or opiates?	0	100%	98%	99%	99%
	1-2	0%	1%	0%	0%
	3-5	0%	0%	1%	1%
	6-9	0%	0%	1%	0%
	10-19	0%	0%	0%	0%
... taken barbiturates or tranquilizers without a doctor telling you to take them?	0	97%	97%	98%	97%
	1-2	2%	3%	1%	2%
	3-5	1%	0%	1%	2%
	10-19	0%	0%	0%	0%

\* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions. Questions regarding use of these substances in the past 30 days were dropped due to low prevalence rates.

# 2001 Minnesota Student Survey

**TABLE 37**  
**ACCESS TO OTHER DRUGS \***  
**Otter Tail County**

<b>INCLUDES ONLY PAST-YEAR DRUG USERS WHO REPORTED OBTAINING DRUGS IN THE LAST 30 DAYS **</b>		<b>Grade</b>			
		<b>9th</b>		<b>12th</b>	
		<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>
		<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>If you used drugs other than alcohol, how did you get them in the last 30 days? (Mark all that apply)</b>	<b>Bought them from people I know</b>	65%	43%	78%	50%
	<b>Bought them from people I don't know</b>	13%	10%	19%	15%
	<b>Bought them on the Internet</b>	0%	0%	4%	0%
	<b>Got them from friends</b>	65%	86%	74%	77%
	<b>Got them from family members</b>	13%	29%	11%	0%
	<b>Got them by getting someone else to buy for me</b>	26%	24%	22%	12%
	<b>Got them at parties</b>	29%	48%	44%	38%
	<b>Took them from my home</b>	6%	5%	7%	4%
	<b>Took them from a friend's home</b>	13%	5%	4%	4%

\* 6th grade survey did not ask this question.

\*\* In 1998, percentages were based on recent drug users. This year, because recent use questions were dropped for most substances, the percentages are based on past-year drug users who cited a source, i.e. those who answered this question. Due to this difference, results are not directly comparable to 1998 results.

# 2001 Minnesota Student Survey

**TABLE 38  
SUBSTANCE USE PATTERNS**

*Otter Tail County*

<i>Do you ever use alcohol or other drugs ...</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
...before school?	Yes	2%	1%	7%	5%	14%	8%
	No	98%	99%	93%	95%	86%	92%
...during school?	Yes	2%	1%	7%	4%	14%	10%
	No	98%	99%	93%	96%	86%	90%
...right after school?	Yes	4%	3%	16%	10%	23%	17%
	No	96%	97%	84%	90%	77%	83%



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**TABLE 39**  
**REASONS FOR SUBSTANCE USE \***  
*Otter Tail County*

<b>ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG USERS ONLY</b>		<b>Grade</b>			
		<b>9th</b>		<b>12th</b>	
		<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>
		<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
If you use alcohol or drugs, which are reasons you use? (Mark all that apply)	To relax	20%	15%	38%	39%
	To get high or smashed	16%	11%	30%	28%
	To have fun at parties	20%	24%	49%	55%
	To escape from school, family or personal problems	8%	12%	14%	23%
	Because my parents aren't around	6%	6%	5%	5%
	Because my friends do	11%	15%	18%	18%
	Because my parents do	3%	1%	4%	1%
	Because I like the taste	16%	20%	25%	33%
	Because I'm sad, lonely, or angry	4%	5%	6%	9%
	Because it's illegal	7%	5%	13%	6%
	Because of peer pressure	6%	8%	12%	6%

\* 6th grade survey did not ask this question.

# 2001 Minnesota Student Survey

**TABLE 40**  
**REASONS FOR SUBSTANCE NON-USE \***  
*Otter Tail County*

		Grade	
		6th	
		Male	Female
		%	%
If you do not use alcohol or other drugs, what factors influence your choice not to use? (Mark all that apply)	My friends don't use	55%	67%
	One or both of my parents would object	55%	66%
	I have no desire to use	61%	76%
	Use is against my principles or religious beliefs	21%	25%
	Alcohol and drugs are dangerous	58%	76%
	Alcohol and drug education at school	45%	54%
	Use could affect my performance in school, sports, or other activities	60%	75%

\* 9th-12th grade survey did not ask this question.

**2001 Minnesota Student Survey**

**TABLE 41A  
CONSEQUENCES OF SUBSTANCE USE \*  
Otter Tail County**

<i>During the last 12 months ...</i>		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
...have you found that you had to use a lot more alcohol or other drugs than before to get the same effect?	No or no use	90%	92%	71%	89%
	Yes	10%	8%	29%	11%
...have you tried to cut down on your alcohol or other drug use but couldn't?	No or no use	93%	92%	91%	88%
	Yes	7%	8%	9%	12%
...has alcohol or other drug use hurt your relationships with friends or family?	No or no use	93%	96%	89%	85%
	Yes	7%	4%	11%	15%
...how many times have you spent all or most of the day using alcohol or other drugs, or getting over their effects?	0 times or no use	83%	85%	61%	71%
	Once	9%	9%	11%	8%
	Twice	4%	2%	7%	9%
	3 or more times	4%	5%	21%	11%
...how many times have you given up activities in order to use alcohol or other drugs or get over their effects?	0 times or no use	88%	95%	85%	84%
	Once	9%	2%	6%	6%
	Twice	2%	2%	2%	5%
	3 or more times	2%	2%	7%	5%
...how many times has alcohol or other drug use left you feeling depressed, agitated, paranoid, or unable to concentrate?	0 times or no use	88%	91%	83%	78%
	Once	6%	6%	6%	8%
	Twice	4%	1%	2%	5%
	3 or more times	2%	2%	9%	9%

\* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

# 2001 Minnesota Student Survey

**TABLE 41B  
CONSEQUENCES OF SUBSTANCE USE \***

*Otter Tail County*

<i>During the last 12 months ...</i>		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
...how many times have you neglected your responsibilities because of alcohol or other drug use?	0 times or no use	88%	92%	87%	82%
	Once	5%	5%	6%	9%
	Twice	5%	1%	2%	2%
	3 or more times	3%	2%	5%	7%
...how many times have you missed work or school because of alcohol or other drug use?	0 times or no use	94%	98%	90%	88%
	Once	3%	1%	3%	7%
	Twice	2%	1%	3%	2%
	3 or more times	1%	1%	3%	3%
...how many times has alcohol or other drug use caused you problems with the law?	0 times or no use	95%	98%	87%	89%
	Once	3%	1%	10%	8%
	Twice	1%	1%	1%	2%
	3 or more times	1%	1%	2%	0%
...how many times have you hit someone or become violent while using alcohol or other drugs?	0 times or no use	95%	96%	87%	92%
	Once	1%	1%	4%	7%
	Twice	2%	1%	3%	2%
	3 or more times	2%	2%	6%	0%
...how many times have you used so much alcohol or other drugs that later you couldn't recall what you had said/done?	0 times or no use	85%	82%	61%	66%
	Once	9%	9%	13%	13%
	Twice	2%	4%	10%	10%
	3 or more times	4%	5%	16%	11%
...how many times have you used more alcohol or other drugs than you intended to?	0 times or no use	81%	83%	72%	67%
	Once	10%	9%	7%	11%
	Twice	3%	4%	6%	7%
	3 or more times	7%	4%	15%	16%

\* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

# 2001 Minnesota Student Survey

**TABLE 42A**  
**SEXUAL BEHAVIOR \***  
**Otter Tail County**

		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
Have you ever had sexual intercourse ("gone all the way")?	No	80%	90%	59%	42%
	Yes, once or twice	9%	4%	9%	9%
	Yes, 3 times or more	10%	6%	32%	49%
During the last 12 months, with how many different male partners have you had sexual intercourse?	None	97%	91%	96%	48%
	1 person	1%	4%	2%	30%
	2 persons	0%	1%	0%	11%
	3 persons	0%	2%	0%	5%
	4 persons	1%	1%	0%	2%
	5 persons	0%	0%	0%	1%
	6 or more persons	2%	1%	1%	4%
During the last 12 months, with how many different female partners have you had sexual intercourse?	None	82%	99%	58%	100%
	1 person	8%	0%	18%	0%
	2 persons	2%	0%	12%	0%
	3 persons	2%	0%	4%	0%
	4 persons	3%	0%	1%	0%
	5 persons	1%	0%	2%	0%
	6 or more persons	2%	0%	4%	0%
How many times have you been pregnant or gotten someone pregnant?	0 times	95%	98%	94%	96%
	1 time	2%	1%	1%	3%
	2 or more times	1%	0%	2%	1%
	Not sure	2%	0%	3%	0%

\* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

# 2001 Minnesota Student Survey

**TABLE 42B**  
**SEXUAL BEHAVIOR \***  
**Otter Tail County**

<b>SEXUALLY ACTIVE STUDENTS ONLY</b>		<b>Grade</b>			
		<b>9th</b>		<b>12th</b>	
		<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>
		<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
Have you talked with your partner(s) about protecting yourselves from getting STDs/HIV/AIDS? **	Never	35%	24%	39%	27%
	Not with every partner	19%	19%	16%	28%
	At least once with every partner	46%	57%	45%	45%
Have you talked with partner(s) about preventing pregnancy? **	Never	41%	15%	18%	22%
	Not with every partner	8%	35%	12%	16%
	At least once with every partner	51%	50%	70%	62%
If you have sexual intercourse, how often do you and/or your partner use any birth control method?	Never	24%	16%	4%	9%
	Rarely	12%	5%	5%	5%
	Sometimes	3%	11%	13%	3%
	Usually	18%	5%	7%	16%
	Always	44%	63%	71%	66%
If you have sexual intercourse, how often is a condom used?	Never	14%	20%	5%	19%
	Rarely	6%	15%	5%	15%
	Sometimes	0%	5%	16%	9%
	Usually	11%	35%	21%	20%
	Always	69%	25%	53%	36%
The last time you had sexual intercourse, did you or your partner use a condom?	Yes	74%	52%	69%	55%
	No	26%	48%	31%	45%

\* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

\*\* In 1998, the percentages for these questions included sexually inactive students who responded to the question. This year, the percentages include only sexually active students. Accordingly, the results for these questions are not directly comparable to previous survey results.

# 2001 Minnesota Student Survey

**TABLE 43**  
**REASONS FOR SEXUAL ABSTINENCE \***  
*Otter Tail County*

		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
<b>If you do not have sexual intercourse, what factors influence your choice not to? (Mark all that apply)</b>	<b>One or both of my parents would object</b>	50%	58%	41%	52%
	<b>I don't want to have sex</b>	33%	63%	30%	50%
	<b>Most students in my school don't have sex</b>	16%	11%	10%	0%
	<b>My friends don't have sex</b>	22%	37%	12%	9%
	<b>I don't think it's right for a person my age to have sex</b>	50%	74%	29%	43%
	<b>I'm afraid of getting caught</b>	26%	32%	13%	5%
	<b>My religious or spiritual beliefs</b>	38%	37%	39%	52%
	<b>Sex education at school has shown me the advantages of waiting until I'm older</b>	35%	43%	14%	17%
	<b>I don't want to get a sexually transmitted disease</b>	52%	77%	46%	57%
	<b>Fear of pregnancy **</b>	43%	84%	42%	71%
	<b>My parents taught me the advantages of waiting until I'm older</b>	36%	46%	22%	33%
	<b>I have chosen to wait until I'm married</b>	46%	57%	41%	62%

\* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

\*\* Variations in wording for this item affect year-to-year comparisons.