

## Q44: During your life, on how many days have you had at least one drink of alcohol?

**In 2005, most students reported that they had at least one drink of alcohol in their life.**

- 76.5 percent of students reported having had at least one drink of alcohol on one or more days during their life.
- Students in ninth grade (62.6 percent) were significantly less likely than students in 10<sup>th</sup> (80.1 percent) 11<sup>th</sup> (79.5 percent) or 12<sup>th</sup> (83.7 percent) grades to have had at least one drink of alcohol on one or more days during their life.
- White students (78.8 percent) were significantly more likely than black students (63.4 percent) to have had at least one drink of alcohol on one or more days during their life.
- There was no significant difference by gender.

**Significantly fewer students reported having had at least one drink of alcohol in their life in 2005 (76.5 percent) than in 1999 (85 percent).**

- A significant decrease was observed for males, females and students in the ninth and 11<sup>th</sup> grades.
- There was no significant difference between 2003 and 2005.

