

ALCOHOL: Binge Drinking

Q47: During the past 30 days, on how many days did you have five or more drinks of alcohol in a row, that is, within a couple of hours?

In 2005, approximately one-fourth of students reported having five or more drinks of alcohol in a row.

- 26.1 percent of students reported having had five or more drinks of alcohol in a row within a couple of hours, on one or more of the past 30 days.
- Students in the 10th (27.5 percent) and 11th (33.3 percent) grades were significantly more likely than students in the ninth grade (15.7 percent) to have consumed five or more drinks of alcohol in a row within a couple of hours, on one or more of the past 30 days.
- White students (28.4 percent) and students of other races (29.2 percent) were significantly more likely than black students (11.3 percent) to have consumed five or more drinks of alcohol in a row.
- There were no significant differences in having had five or more drinks of alcohol in a row by gender.

Significantly fewer students reported having had five or more drinks of alcohol in a row in 2005 (26.1 percent) than in 1999 (37 percent).

- This difference was significant for males, females and students in the 12th grade.

