

SURVEY TITLE: Youth Risk Behavior Survey - North Dakota

ACRONYM: YRBS - ND

SPONSOR: National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, United States Department of Health and Human Services.

SURVEY PURPOSE: The YRBSS was developed in 1990 to monitor priority health risk behaviors that contribute markedly to the leading causes of death, disability, and social problems among youth and adults in the United States. These behaviors, often established during childhood and early adolescence, include: tobacco use, unhealthy dietary behaviors, inadequate physical activity, alcohol and other drug use, sexual behaviors that contribute to unintended pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases (including HIV infection), and behaviors that contribute to unintentional injuries and violence. North Dakota began participating in the YRBS survey in 1995. Students in grades, 7-8 & 9-12 are surveyed in the spring of odd years. The survey is voluntary and completely anonymous. North Dakota has two survey groups, selected and voluntary. The selected school survey population is chosen using a scientific sampling procedure which ensures that the results can be generalized to the state's entire student population. The schools that are part of the voluntary sample, selected without scientific sampling procedures, will only be able to obtain information on the risk behavior percentages for their school and not in comparison to all the schools.

LOCATION SAMPLED: North Dakota.

YEARS SEXUAL ORIENTATION DATA COLLECTED: 2011

SAMPLE SIZE: n/a

METHOD OF SEXUAL ORIENTATION DATA COLLECTION: Self-completed questionnaire.

SEXUAL ORIENTATION QUESTIONS:

2011:

Middle School

15. During the past 12 months, have you been harassed because someone thought you were gay, lesbian, or bisexual?

A. Yes

B. No

58. Which of the following best describes you?

A. Heterosexual (straight)

B. Gay or lesbian

- C. Bisexual
- D. Not sure

High School

22. During the past 12 months, have you been harassed because someone thought you were gay, lesbian, or bisexual?

- A. Yes
- B. No

90. During your life, with whom have you had sexual contact?

- A. I have never had sexual contact
- B. Females
- C. Males
- D. Females and males

91. Which of the following best describes you?

- A. Heterosexual (straight)
- B. Gay or lesbian
- C. Bisexual
- D. Not sure