

Denver's Marijuana Rates vs US

Last 30 Day Use Rates vs. U.S. and information on perceptions and use rates among specific populations:

Source U.S. 8th 10th and 12th Grade Monitoring the Future 2014 ¹

Source U.S. 9th Grade – CDC Youth Risk Behavior Survey 2014

Source Denver: Healthy Kids Colorado Surveys 2014 ²

http://www.chd.dphe.state.co.us/Resources/HKCS/MiddleSchool/HSR20_MS.pdf

http://www.chd.dphe.state.co.us/Resources/HKCS/HighSchool/HSR20_HS.pdf

Grade	Marijuana US ¹	Marijuana Denver ²
8 th	6.5%	22.5%
9th	17%	23.8%
10th	16.6%	25.3%
12th	21.2%	30%

Additional data of concern for Denver:

- Use among Denver's African American youth is almost 30% (29.6) and Caucasian Youth is 31%
- Almost 40% of Denver's Caucasian high school males are using and 33% of African American female high school students
- 63% of Denver high school students say it's sort of easy or very easy to get marijuana
- Only 44% of Denver High School youth believe regular marijuana use is harmful with the lowest perception of harm among African American youth (36%)