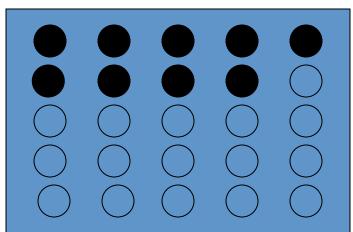
Delaware Youth Substance Abuse

12% of Delaware 5th graders have ever drunk alcohol; while this number is still low, only 42% perceive a lot of risk in daily use of alcohol.

35% of Delaware 8th graders drank alcohol in the past year.



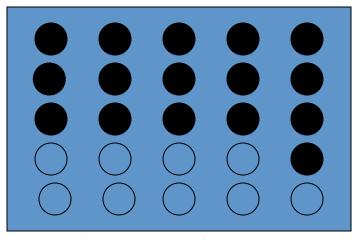
(Average Classroom of 25 Students)



Most Delaware students who drink do so at their own home or someone else's home, and most have been to parties where adults provided alcohol

Alcohol

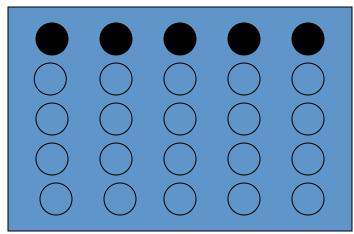
62% of Delaware 11th graders drank alcohol in the past year, most of them having three or more drinks at a time



(Average Classroom of 25 Students)

1% of Delaware 5th
graders have ever tried
marijuana; while this
number is still low, only
33% perceive a lot of
risk in trying marijuana.

19% of Delaware 8th graders have smoked marijuana in the past year

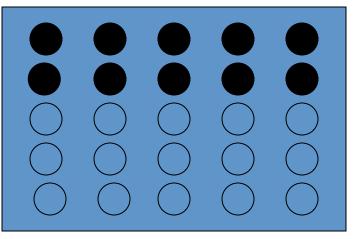


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Delaware high school students exceed national norms for marijuana use, and in 2007 ranked 1st in past 30 day use among all states participating in the Youth Risk Behavior Survey

Marijuana

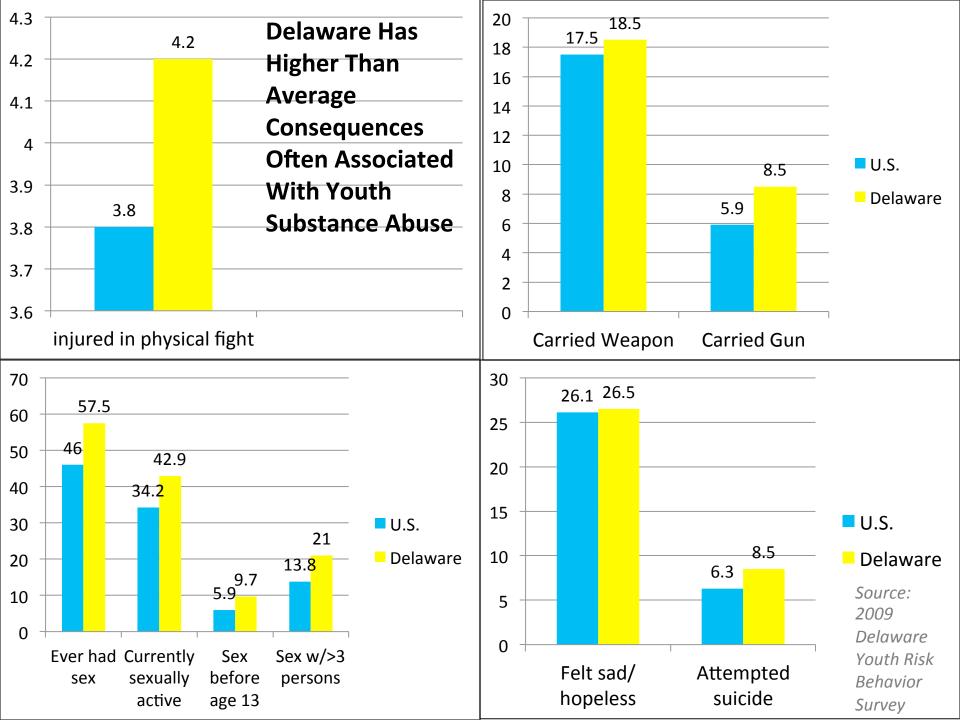
39% of Delaware
11th graders have
smoked marijuana
in the past year
appear to be
increasing



(Average Classroom of 25 Students)



Source: 2011 Delaware School Surveys



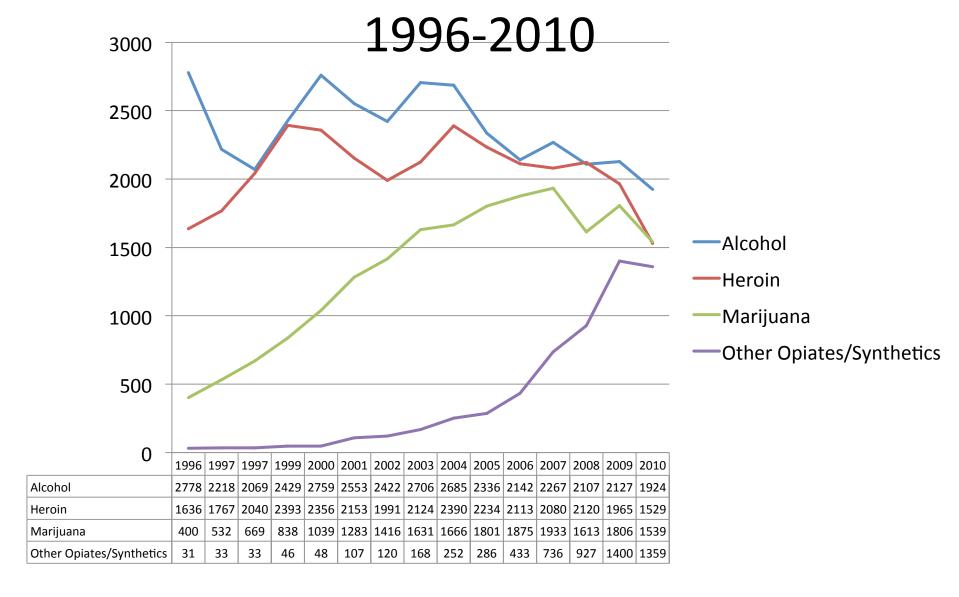
Delaware Adult Substance Abuse

As Delaware youth become young adults . . .

- 18-25 year olds are highest for past month alcohol use–69% and binge drinking 48%
- 18-25 year olds are highest for past month marijuana use—23%
- 18-25 year olds are highest for past month use of illicit drugs other than marijuana—9%
- 18-25 year olds are highest for non-medical past year non-medical pain reliever use—13%
- All of the above Delaware estimates are higher than national norms; estimates for alcohol use, binge drinking and marijuana use are significantly higher

Source: National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2008-2009

Delaware Drug and Alcohol Treatment Admissions by Primary Drug



Adult Drug Arrests 2003-2008

