

# Results of the 2010 Student Substance Use and Safety Survey

## ANN RICHARDS HIGH SCHOOL

### Description of Survey

The federal Title I Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities grant requires annual needs assessment and evaluation of substance use and safety issues. Consequently, each year a self student survey of substance use and school safety is administered to a random, separate sample of AISD students. The survey is used to track student knowledge, attitudes, and self-reported behavior over time. In the Spring of 2010 a sample of 8,162 students in grades 6-12 submitted valid responses to substance use and safety issues, yielding a response rate of 70%. Selected item results are attached. These results should be shared with the campus Positive Behavior Support (PBS) team, Campus Advisory Council, and others involved in campus safety efforts for your school.

### How should sample data be interpreted?

When it is not feasible to survey an entire population, samples are used instead. However, when a sample is used to make inferences about a population the results must be interpreted with caution. For example, although 87% of a sample may select a particular survey response, this does not necessarily mean 87% of the entire population feels the same way. To interpret the sample data cautiously, we have used the following information to construct an interval that describes the range within which the result for your campus population is likely to fall:

- ¾ Population size: In this case, the number of students at your campus.
- ¾ Sample size: In this case, the number of survey respondents from campus.
- ¾ Desired level of confidence: In this case, 95%.

The 95% confidence interval is commonly used, indicating that you can be 95% confident that the true population result will fall within the constructed interval.

### How should Confidence Intervals be used to interpret your campus data?

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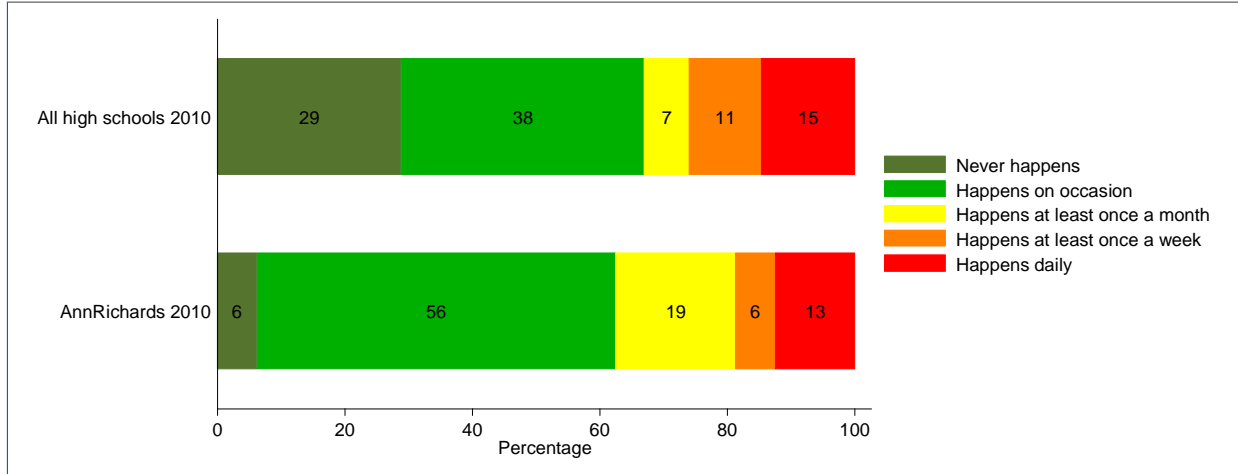


Q26: Of the following, which do you consider to be the most serious problem on your campus?

	Ann Richards 2009-2010	Percentage point change from 2008-2009*	All high schools 2009-2010
Marijuana use	6%	N/A	34%
Student fighting and physical aggression	3%	N/A	12%
Student harassment, threats, and intimidation	55%	N/A	6%
Alcohol use	3%	N/A	5%
Tobacco use	13%	N/A	5%

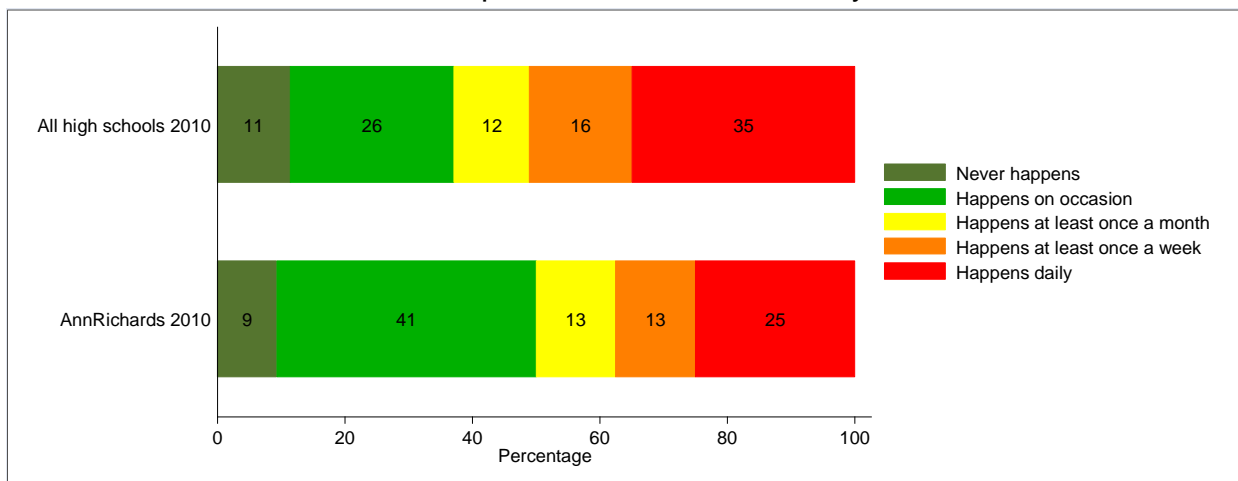
## SCHOOLS SAFETY ITEMS

Q15a: How often does racial tension occur at your school?

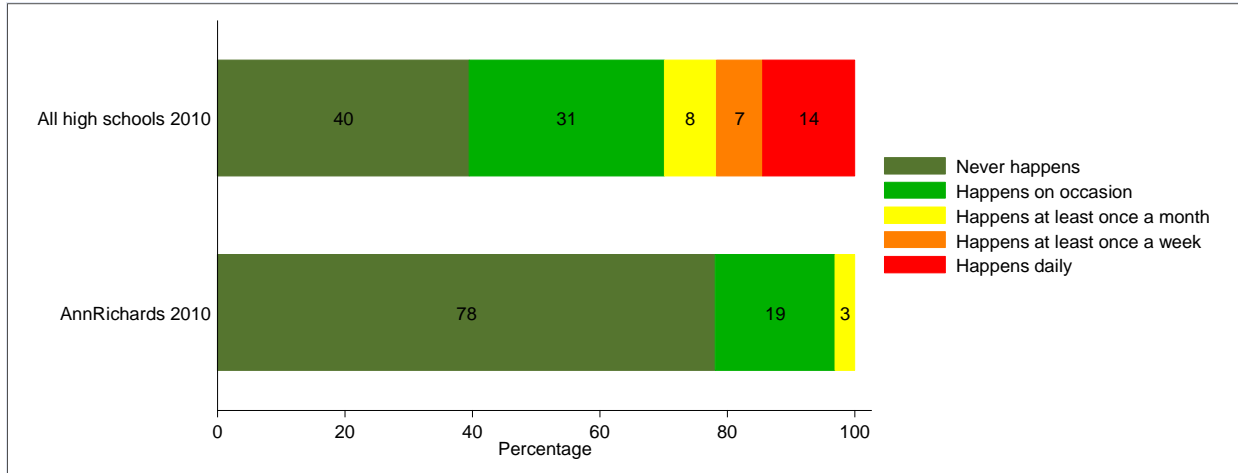


Q15b: How often does student bullying occur at your school?

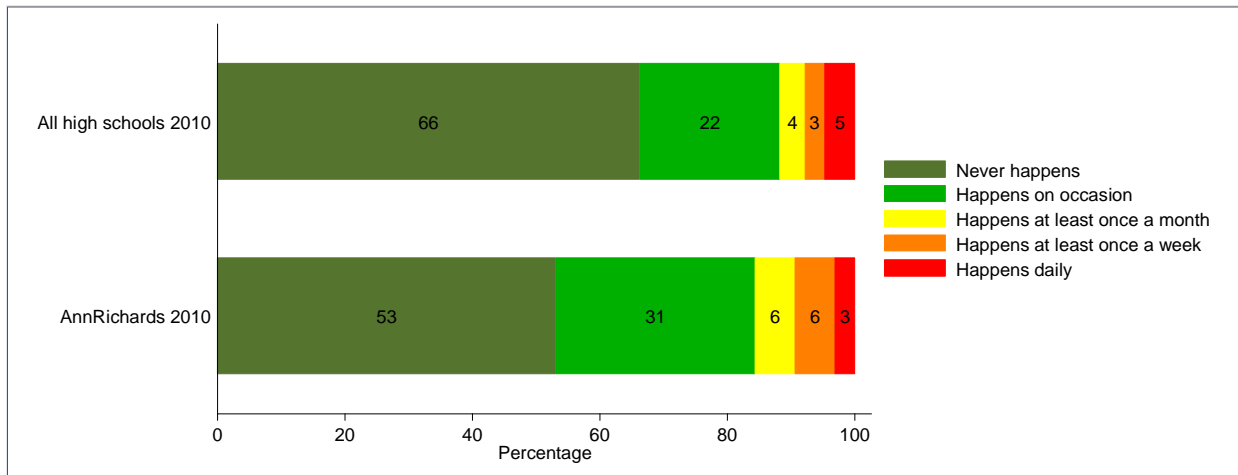
Q15c: How often do acts of disrespect for teachers occur at your school?



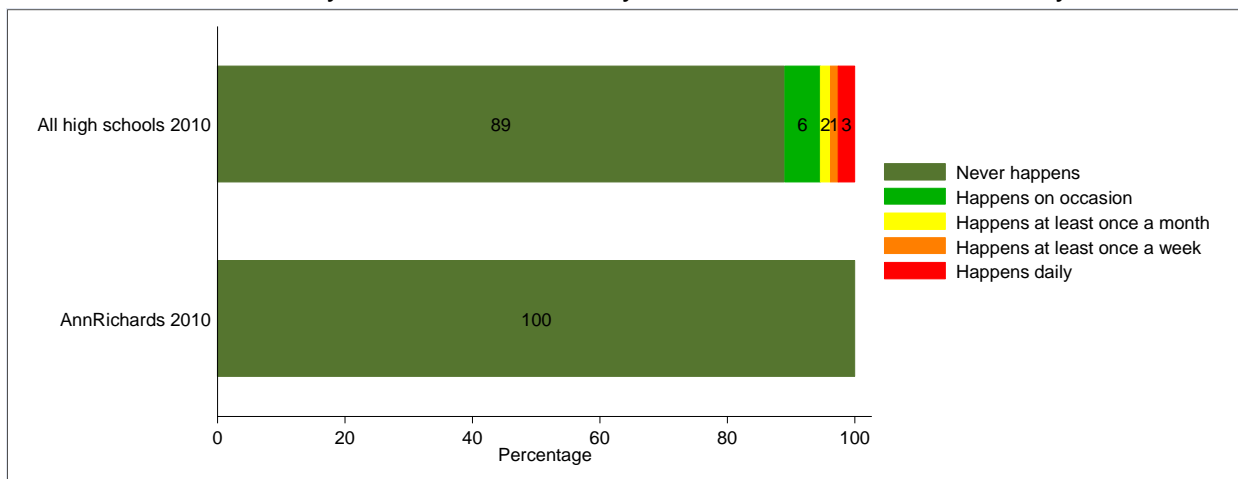
Q15d: How often do gang activities occur at your school?



Q15e: How often have you experienced any type of bullying at your school?



Q15f: How often were you absent because you did not feel safe on the way to/from school?

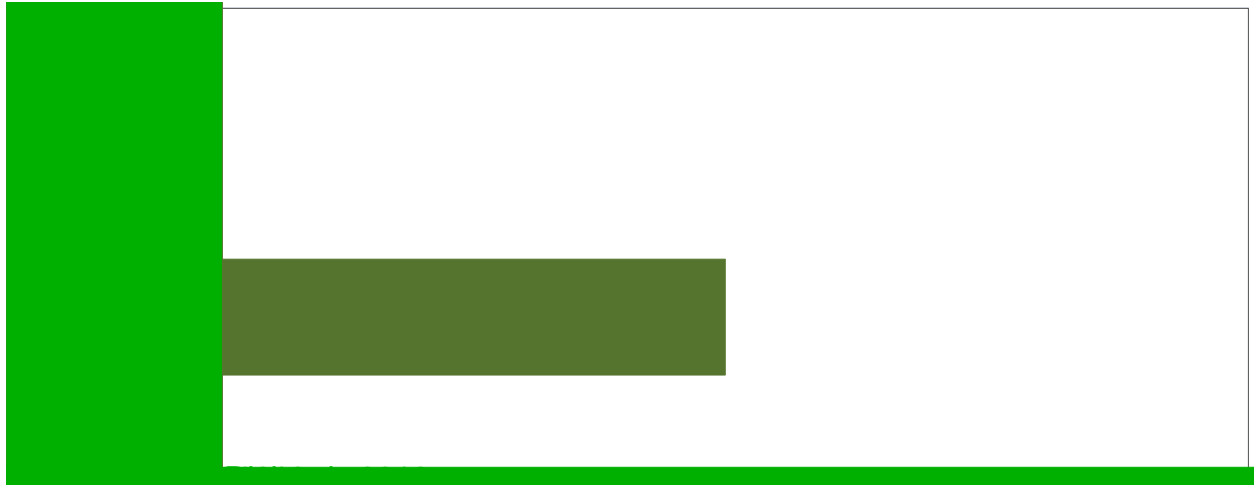


Q15g: How often does your teacher have to interrupt class to deal with student misbehavior?

Q15h: Do teachers or staff give you praise or rewards for good behavior?



Q8: How safe do you feel when you are at school?



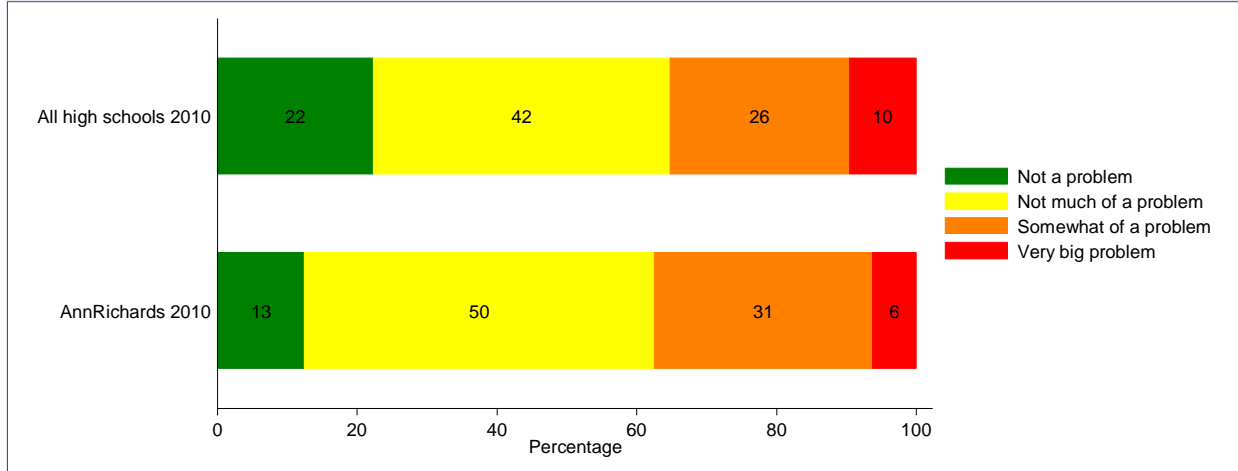
Q9: During the last month, did you miss one or more school days due to any of the following reasons?

	Ann Richards 2009-2010	Percentage point change from 2008-2009*	All high schools 2009-2010
Was sick	66%	N/A	59%
Other reason	31%	N/A	38%
Had to do something with family	41%	N/A	37%
Was too tired	22%	N/A	35%
Wanted to hang out with friends	3%	N/A	21%
	9%	N/A	15%
	3%	N/A	11%
	0%	N/A	4%
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None	22%	N/A	19%

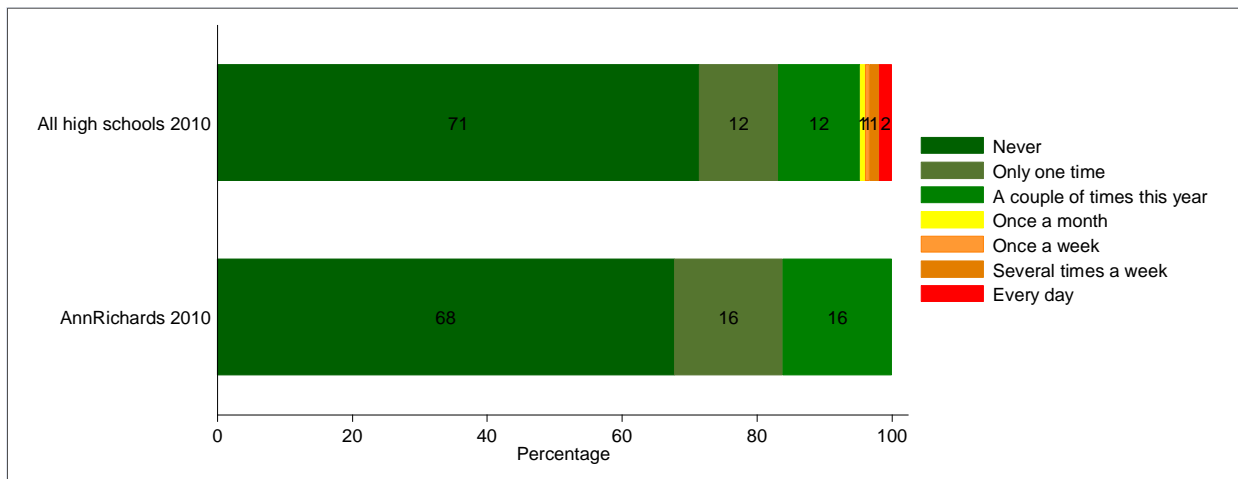
Note. Percentages may sum to more than 100% because respondents were allowed to choose multiple items.

\* Negative percentage point changes indicate

Q12: How big a problem do you think bullying is at your school?



Q10: During this school year, how often have you or your close friends been physically harmed or threatened with physical harm by another student at your school?

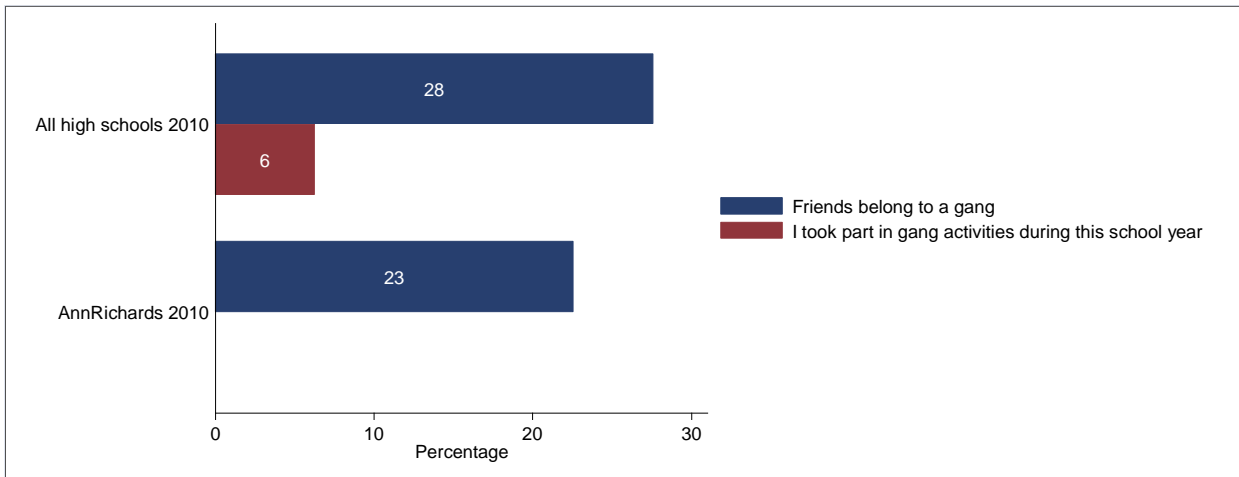




Q14: Are school rules about verbal or physical assaults or fighting enforced by school staff?



Q16-Q17: Do any of your friends belong to a gang? During this school year, did you take part in any gang activities?

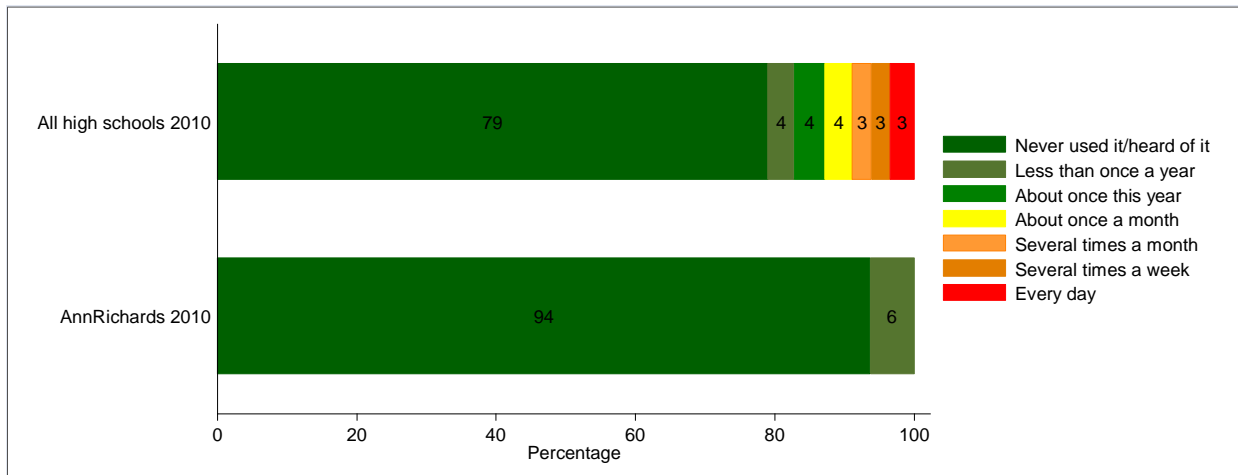


# SUBSTANCE USE ITEMS

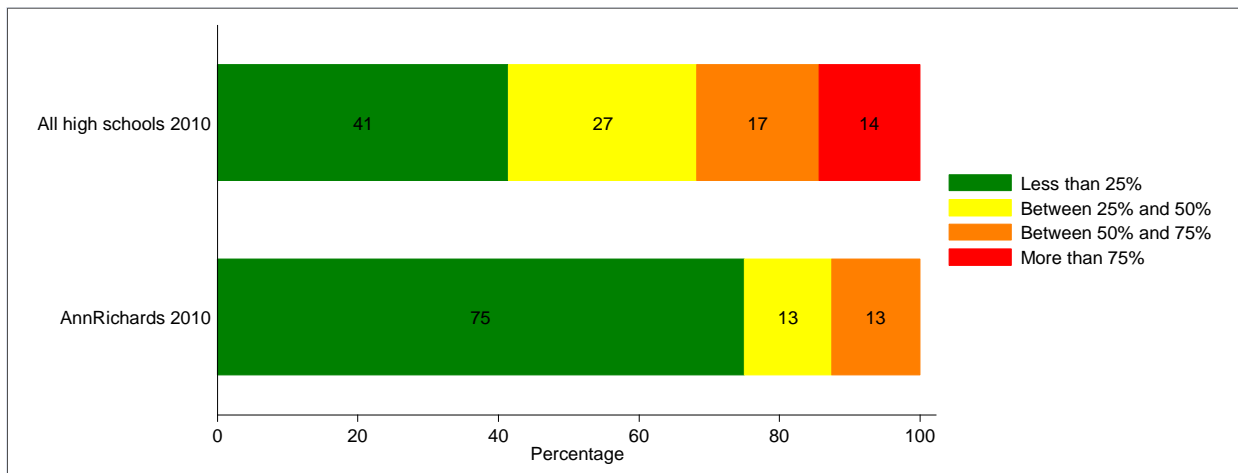
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Q18a: What is the most recent you have used Tobacco?

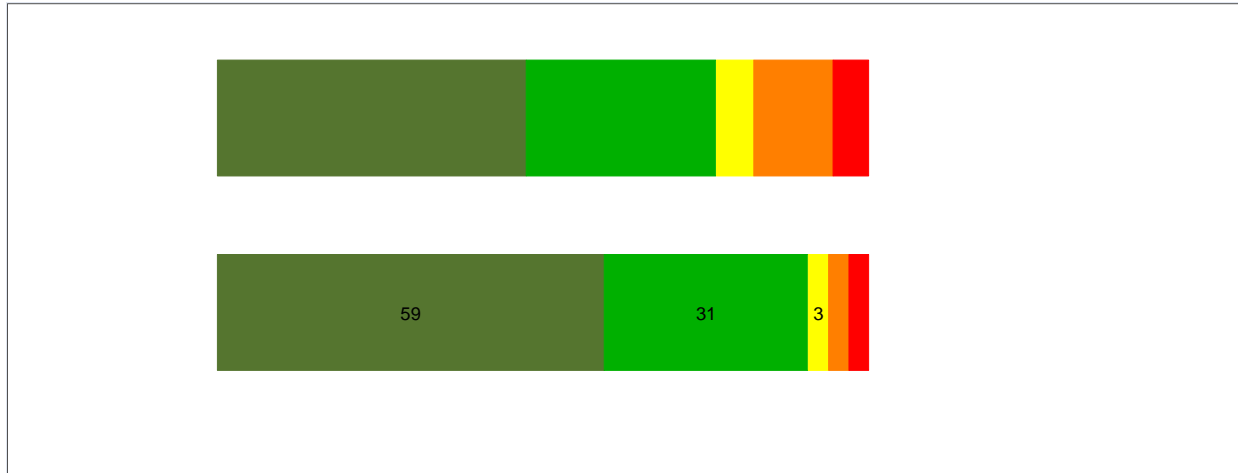
Q21a: During this year, how often did you use Tobacco?



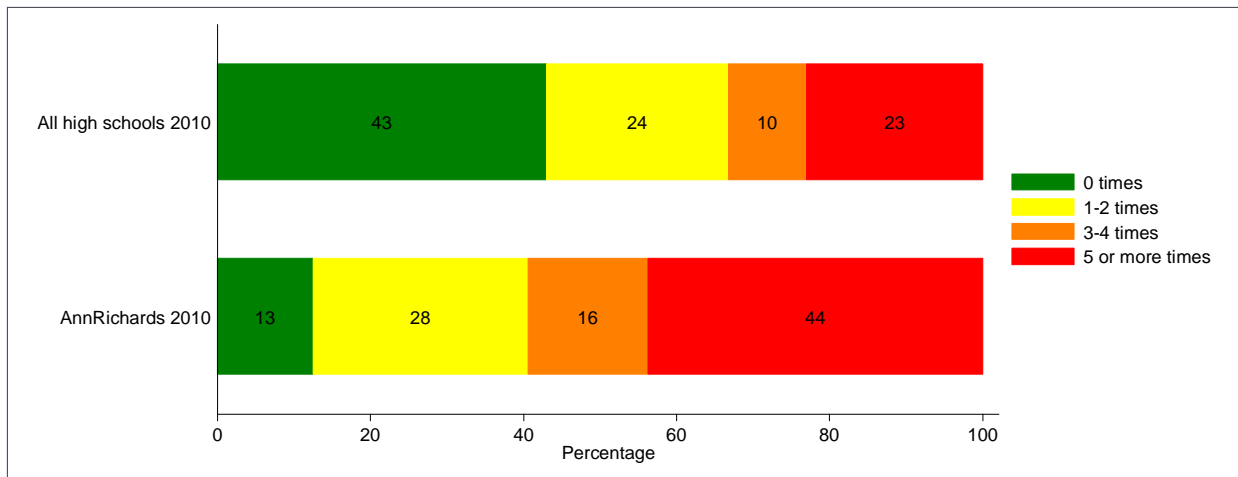
Q29a. Within the past month, how many kids at your school do you think have used tobacco?



Q27a: How dangerous is it for kids your age to use Tobacco?



Q28g. During the school year, how many times have you experienced advertisements (TV, radio, billboard, magazine, internet, etc.) for tobacco products?

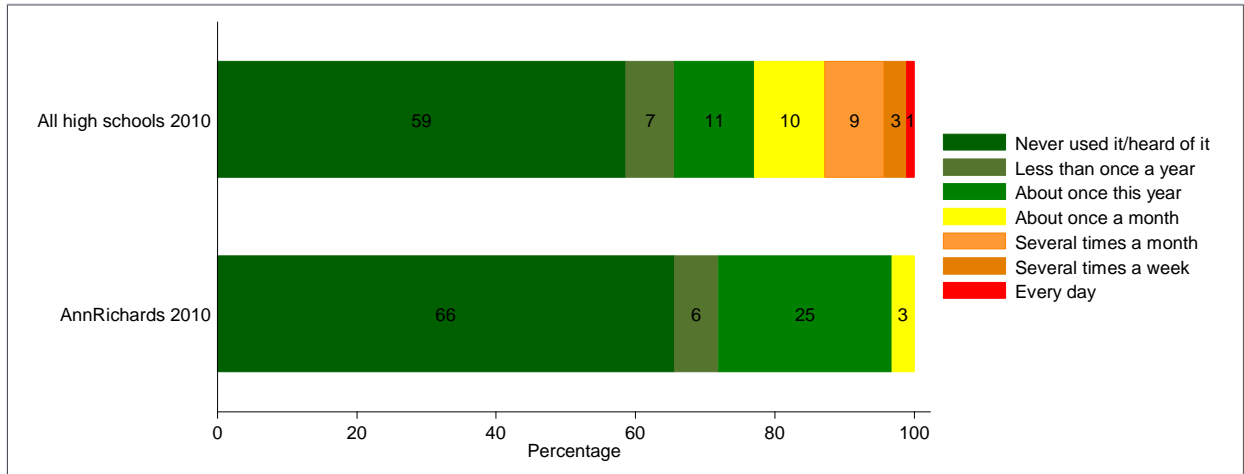


ALCOHOL

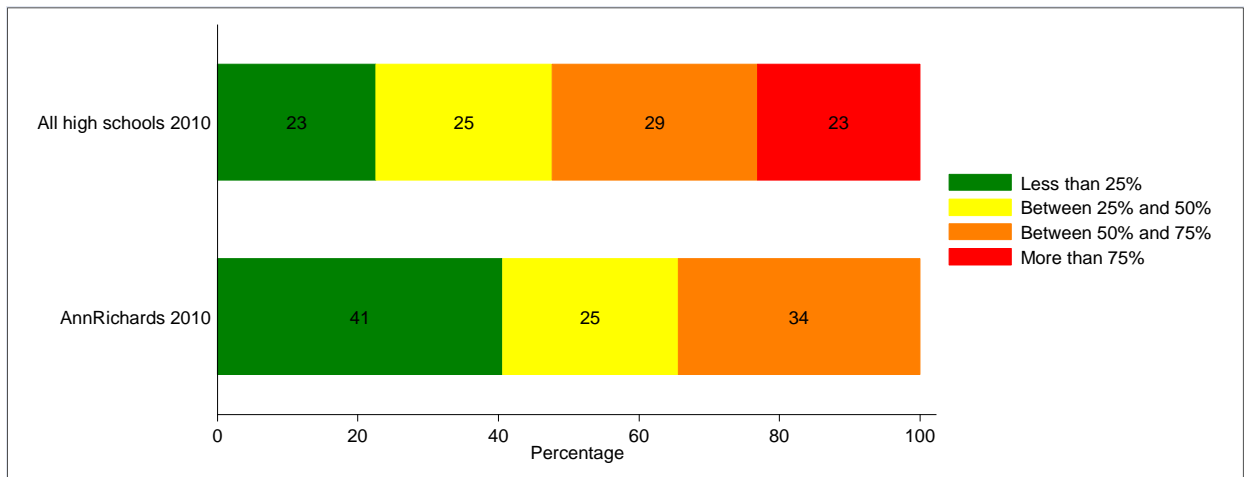
Q18: What is the most recent you have used Alcohol?

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Q21b: During this year, how often did you use Alcohol?



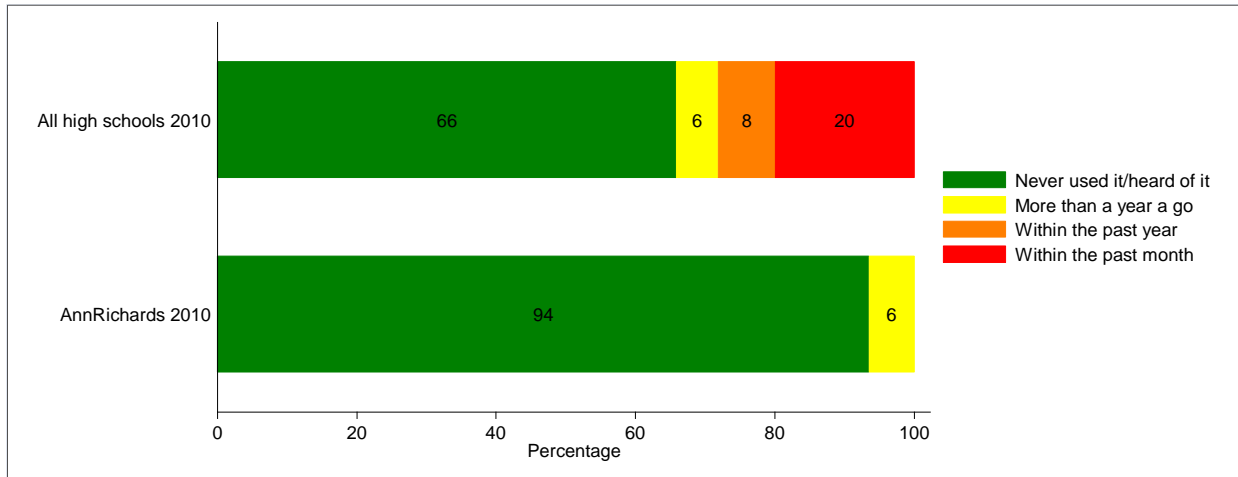
Q29b. Within the past month, how many kids at your school do you think have used alcohol?



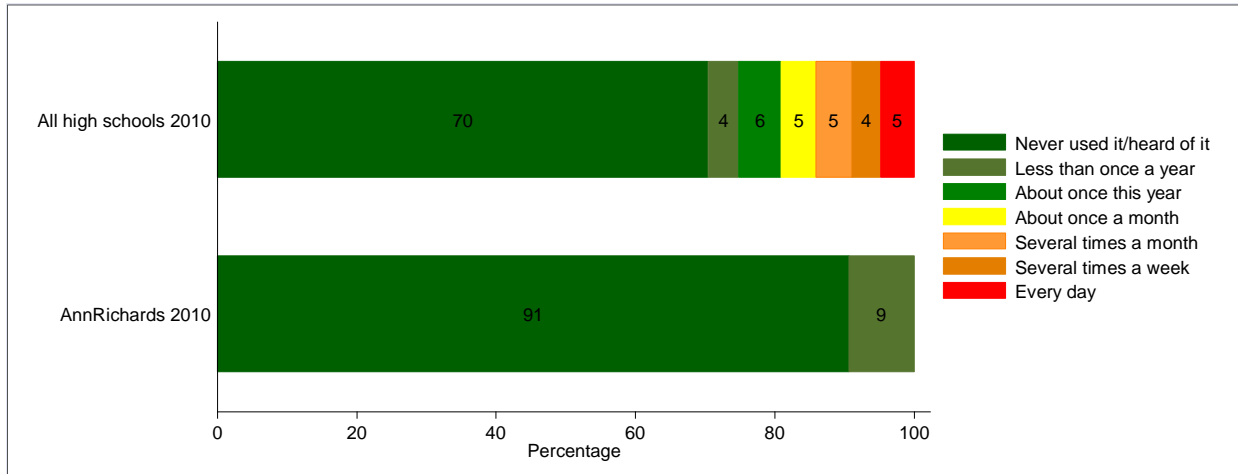


# MARIJUANA

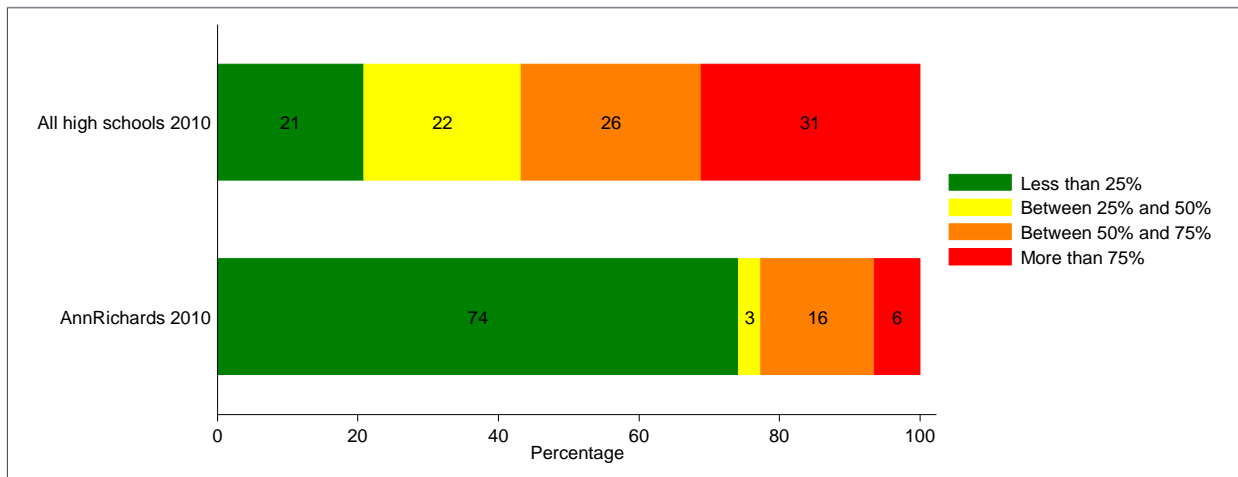
Q18: What is the most recent you have used Marijuana?



Q21c: During this year, how often did you use Marijuana?



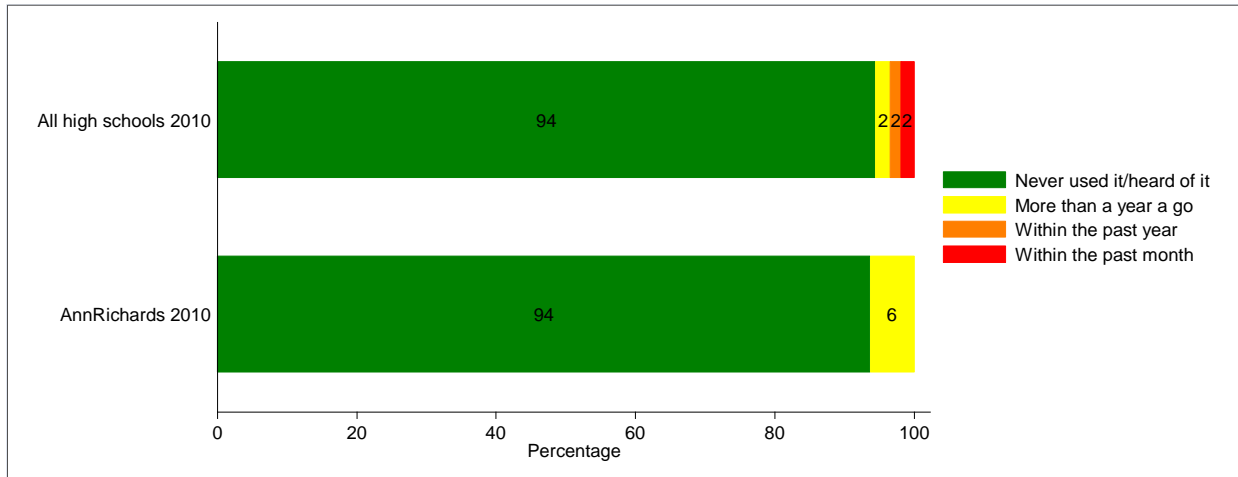
Q29c. Within the past month, how many kids at your school do you think have used marijuana?



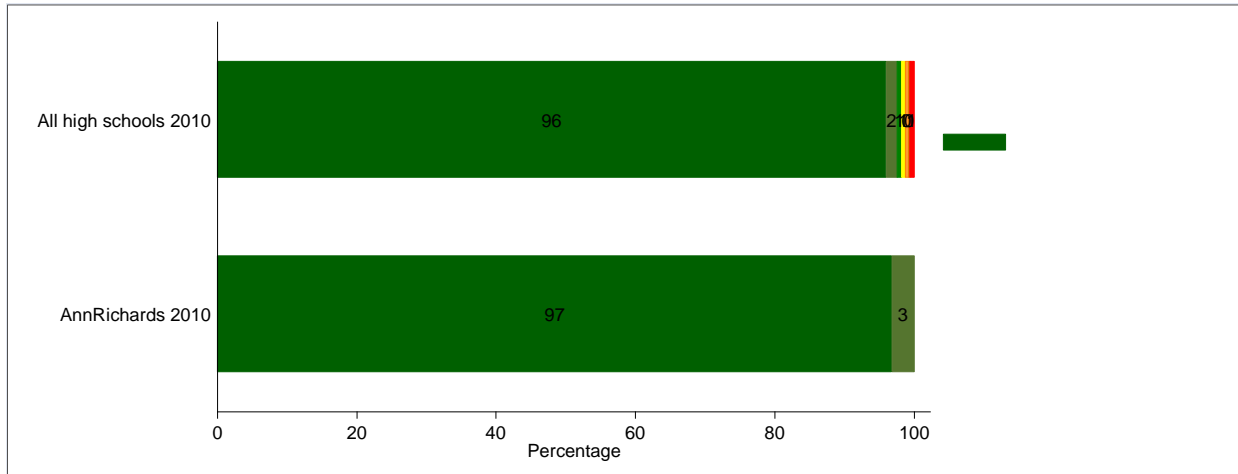


OTHER SUBSTANCES

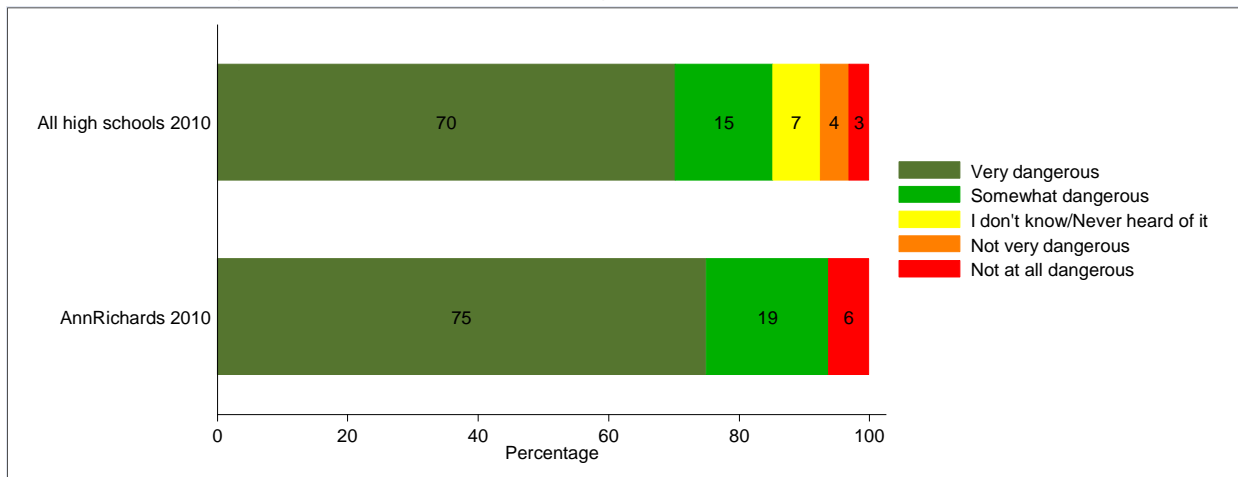
Q18: What is the most recent you have used Inhalants?



Q21d: During this year, how often did you use Inhalants?

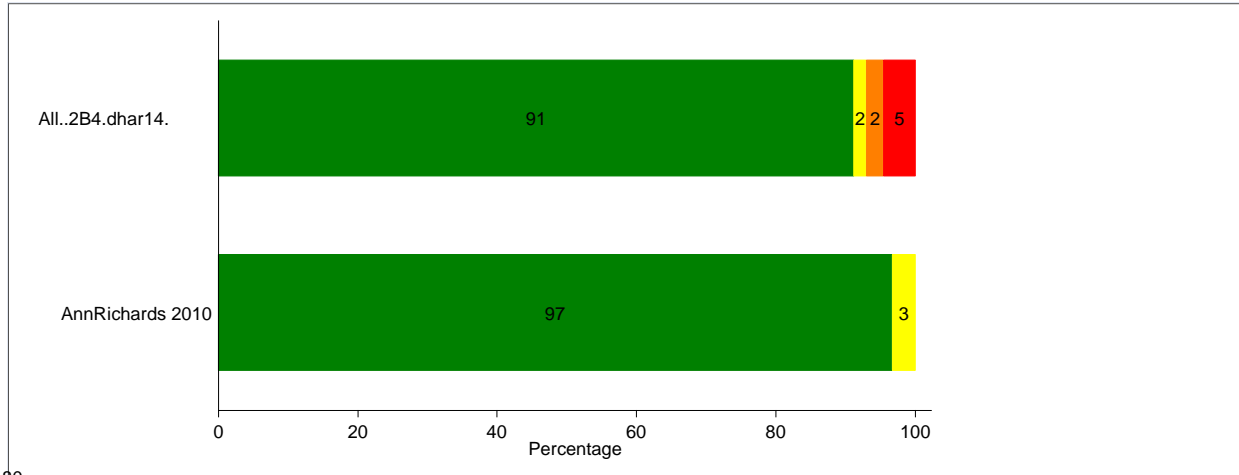


Q27d: How dangerous is it for kids your age to use Inhalants?

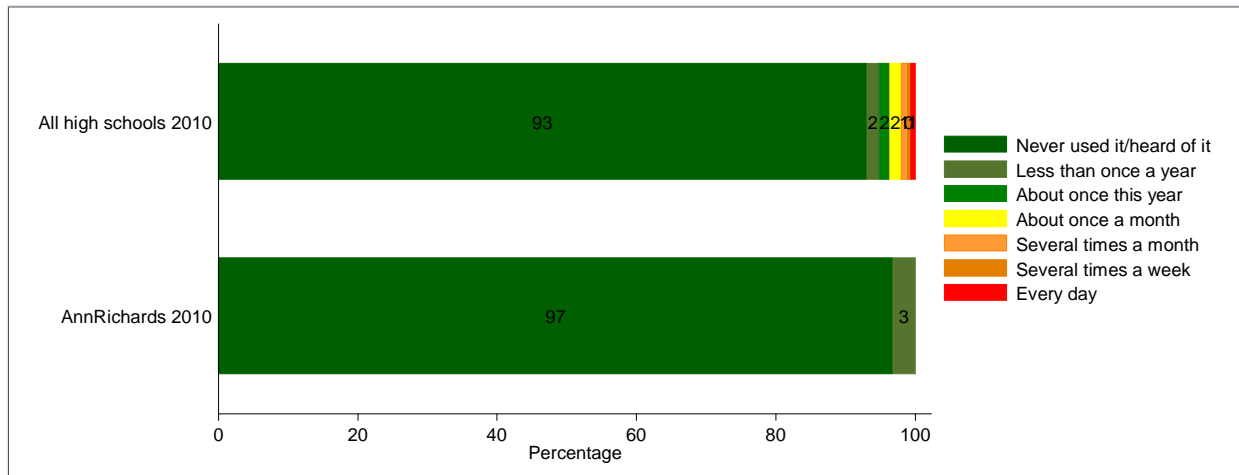




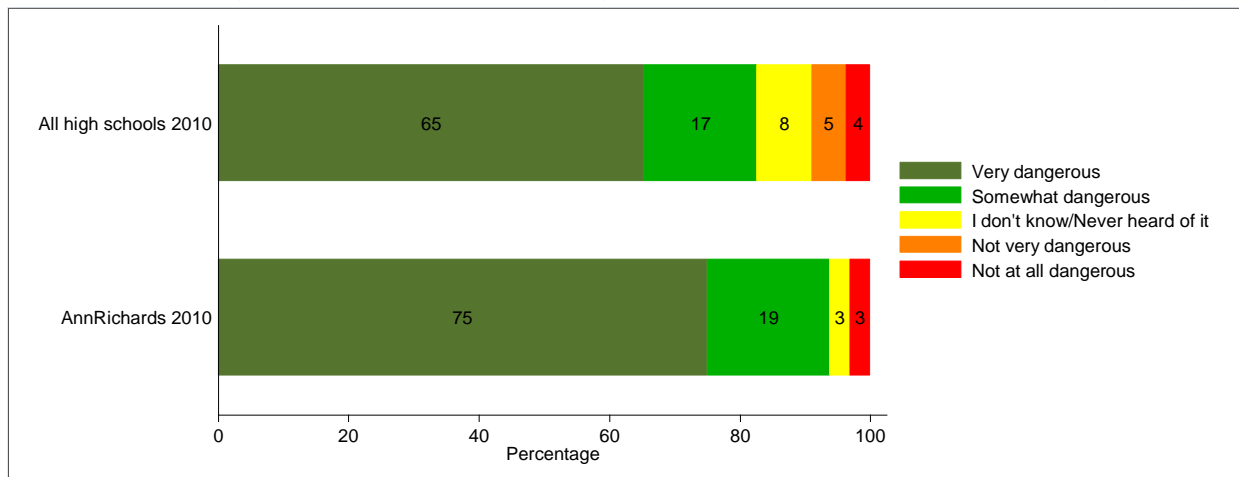
Q18: What is the most recent you have used Over the Counter Medication to get high?



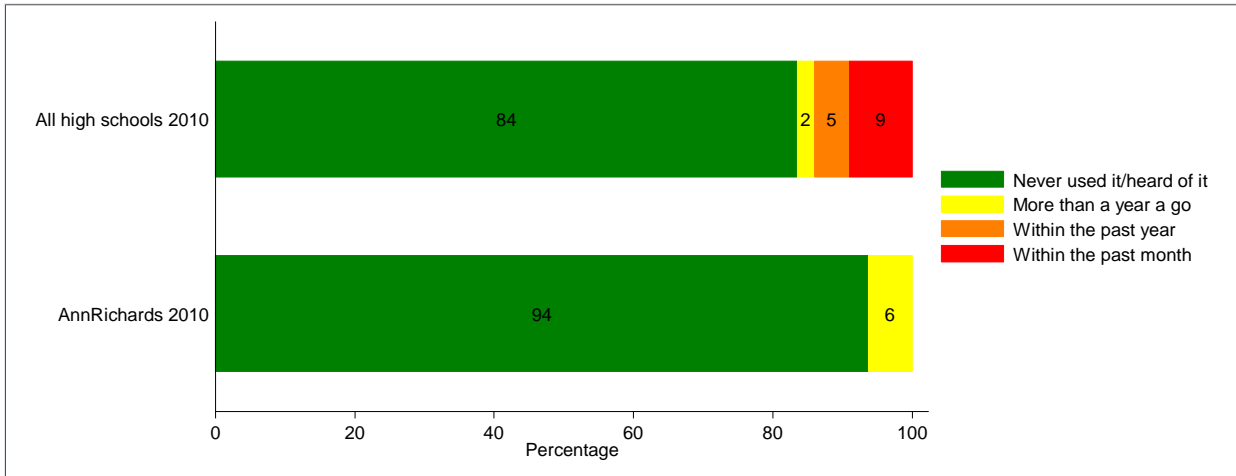
Q21e: During this year, how often did you use Over the Counter Medication to get high?



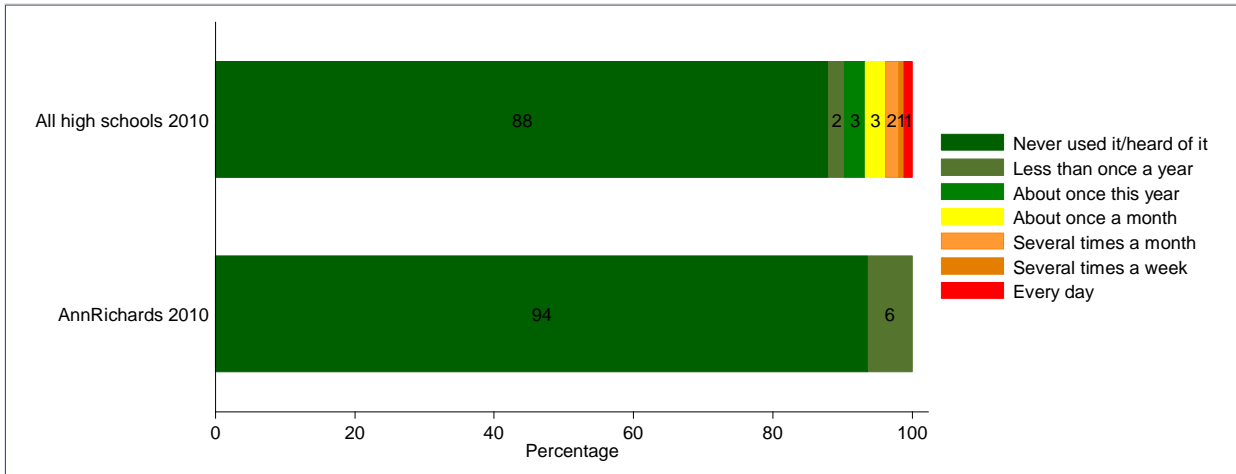
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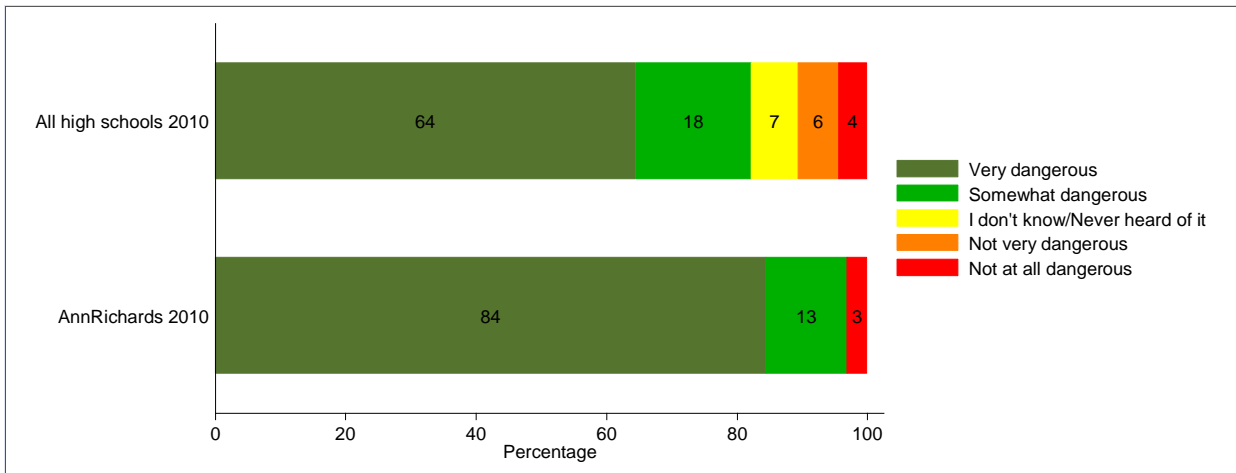
Q18: What is the most recent you have used Prescription Drugs that were not prescribed to you to get high?



Q21f: During this year, how often did you use Prescription Drugs that were prescribed to you to get high?

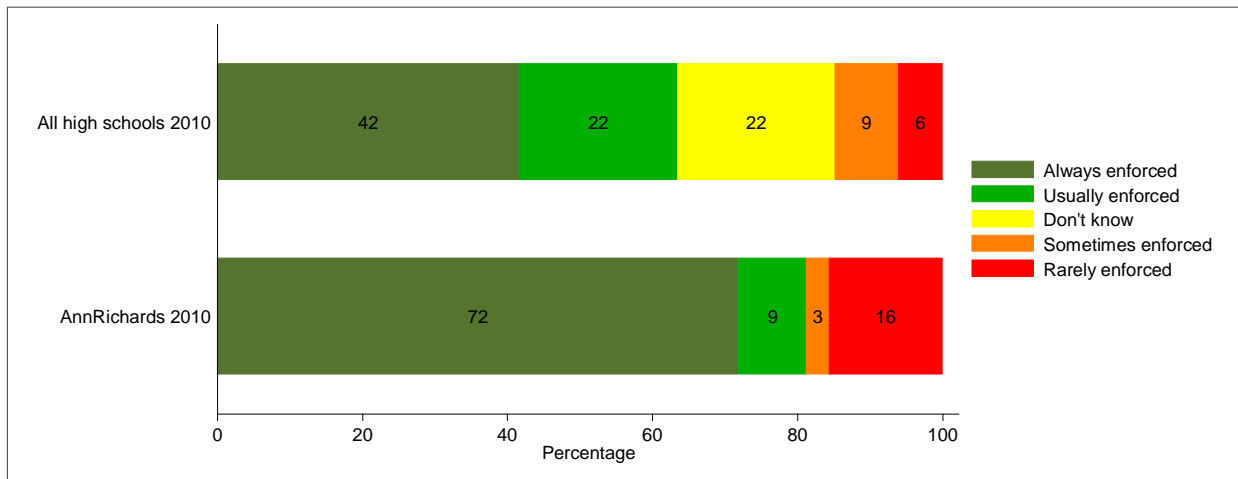


Q27f: How dangerous is it for kids your age to use Prescription Drugs that were not prescribed to you to get high?

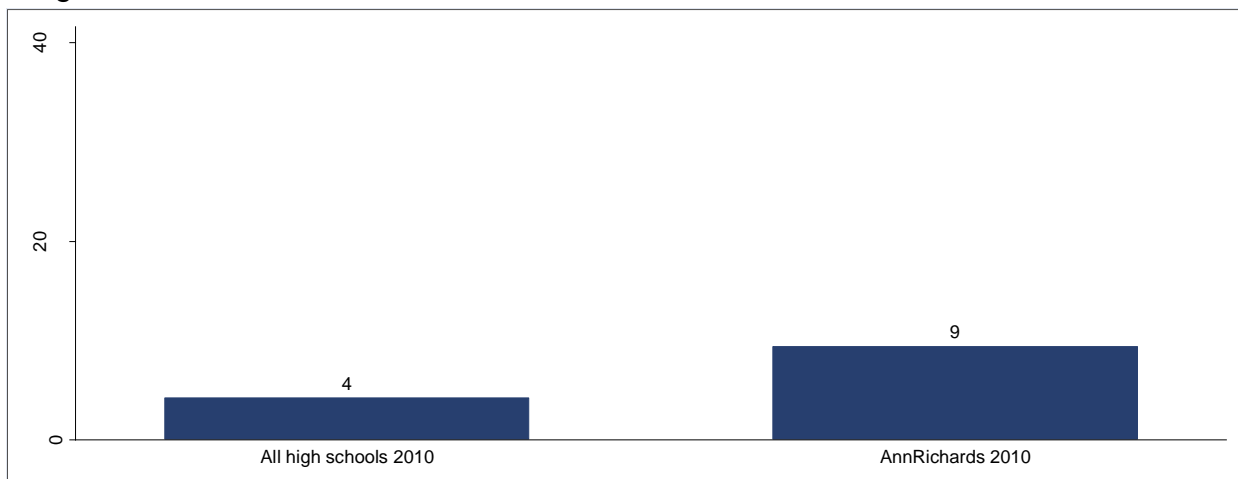


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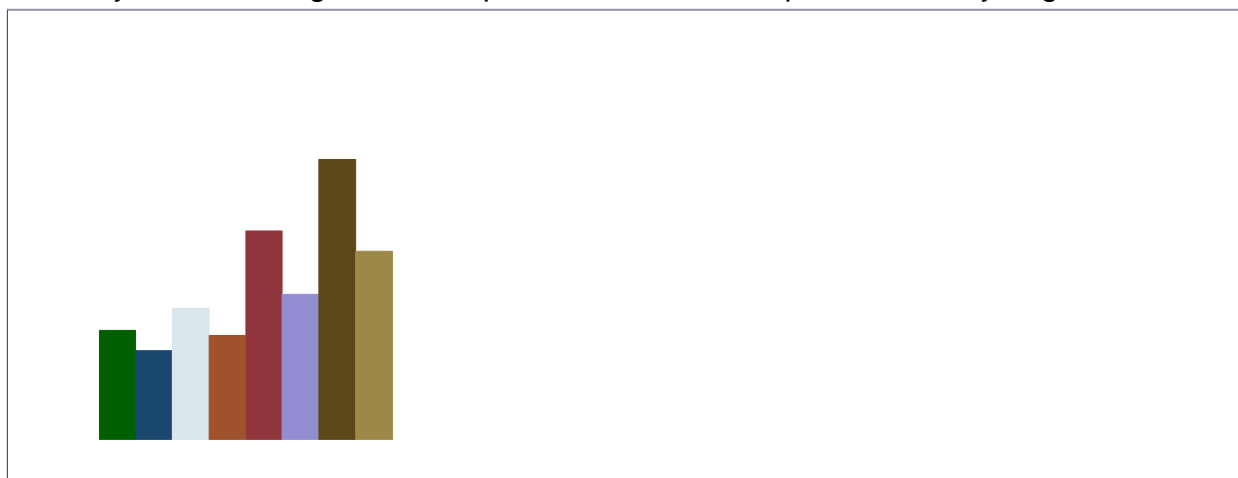
Q13: Are school rules about drug, alcohol, and tobacco use enforced by school staff?



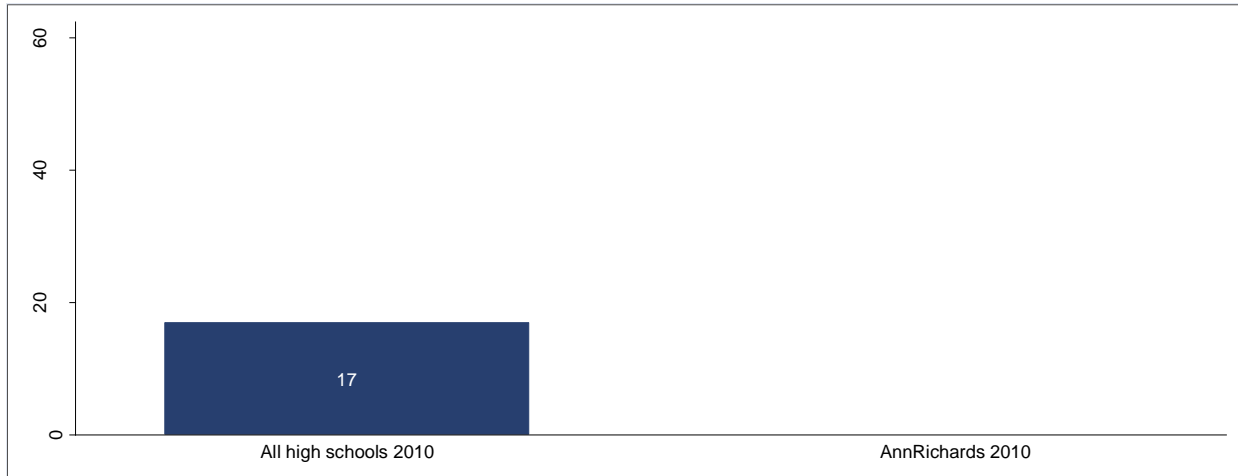
Q19: During this school year, have you gotten into trouble with the police because of tobacco, drugs, or alcohol?



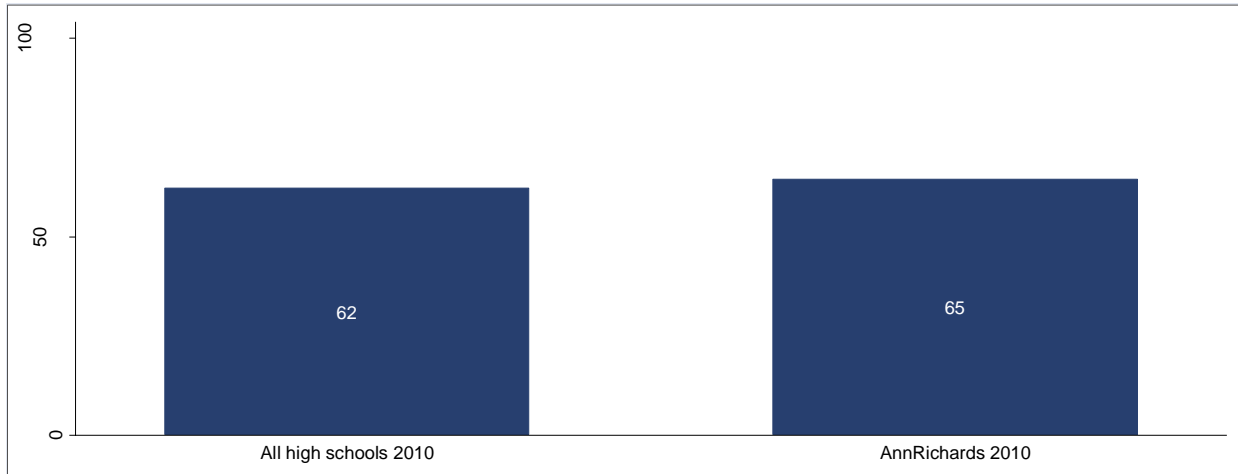
Q24: If you had a drug or alcohol problem and needed help, who would you go to?



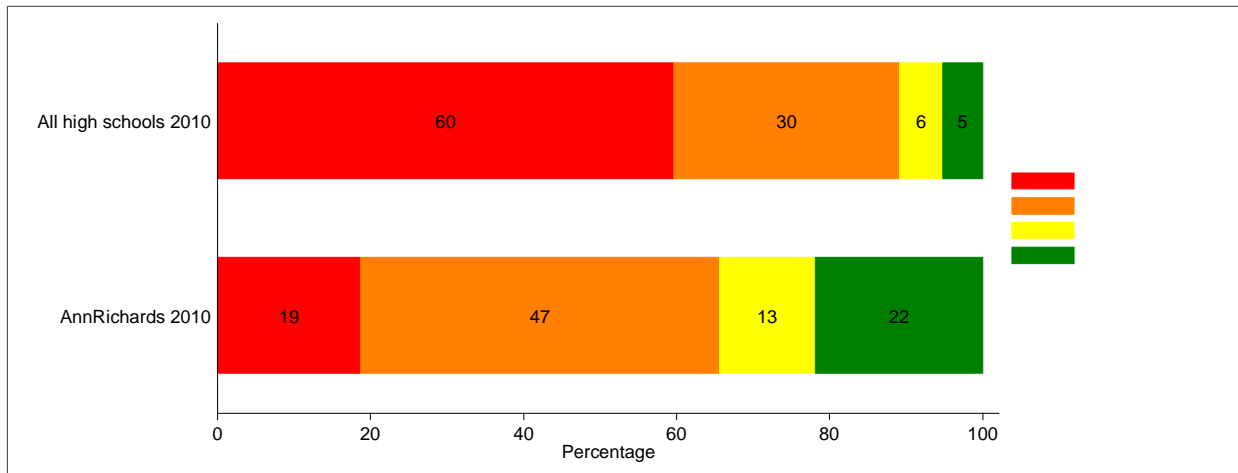
Q20: During this school year, have you attended any class with a teacher who has talked to you about the dangers of using or abusing any substance?



Q25: Within the past year, has your parent/guardian talked to you about the dangers of tobacco, alcohol, or drug use?



Q28a. During the school year, how many times have you experienced classes in which you learned and practiced ways of resisting and avoiding substance abuse?





Q28e. During the school year, how many times have you experienced printed materials with