



Anguilla

2009 Fact Sheet

The **2009 Anguilla GSHS** measured alcohol use; dietary behaviours; mental health; sexual behaviours; tobacco use; and violence and unintentional injury.

The 2009 Anguilla GSHS was a school-based survey of students in grades 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6. A census was used to produce data representative of all students in grades 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 in Anguilla. The school response rate was 100%, the student response rate was 84%, and the overall response rate was 84%. A total of 951 students participated in the Anguilla GSHS. Students self-reported their responses to each question on a computer scannable answer sheet. For comparison purposes, only students aged 13- 15 years are included in the analyses for this fact sheet.

Results for students aged 13-15 years	Total	Boys	Girls
Alcohol Use			
Percentage of students who drank at least one drink containing alcohol on one or more of the past 30 days	45.8	43.3	48.0
Among students who ever had a drink of alcohol (other than a few sips), the percentage who had their first drink of alcohol before age 14 years	90.8	94.0	87.7
Percentage of students who drank so much alcohol that they were really drunk one or more times during their life	28.7	32.3	25.3
Dietary Behaviours			
Percentage of students who usually drank carbonated soft drinks one or more times per day during the past 30 days	62.3	64.2	60.1
Mental Health			
Percentage of students who ever seriously considered attempting suicide during the past 12 months	19.4	11.7	27.0
Percentage of students who had no close friends	8.2	10.7	5.8
Sexual Behaviours			
Percentage of students who ever had sexual intercourse	30.5	39.5	21.8
Among students who ever had sexual intercourse, the percentage who had sexual intercourse for the first time before age 14 years	76.5	*	*
Among students who ever had sexual intercourse, the percentage who used a condom the last time they had sexual intercourse	68.5	*	*
Tobacco Use			
Percentage of students who smoked cigarettes on one or more days during the past 30 days	6.1	7.5	4.3
Among students who ever smoked cigarettes, the percentage who first tried a cigarette before age 14 years	87.8	*	*
Percentage of students who reported people smoked in their presence on one or more days during the past seven days	46.5	46.7	46.0



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Violence and Unintentional Injury			
Percentage of students who were in a physical fight one or more times during the past 12 months	35.7	42.6	28.4
Percentage of students who were seriously injured one or more times during the past 12 months	39.0	40.3	37.7
Percentage of students who were bullied on one or more days during the past 30 days	27.8	25.4	30.3

* Indicates less than 100 students.

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