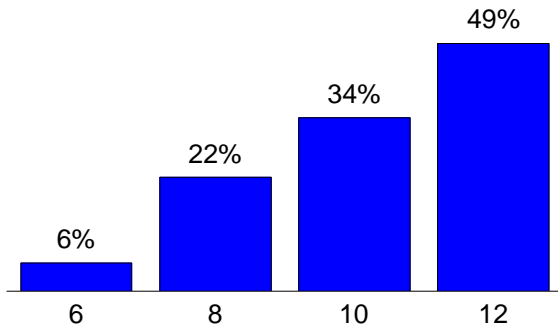


## Are OUR children using alcohol?

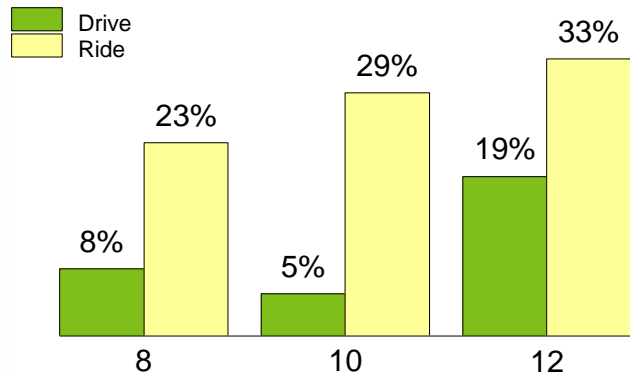
### ...recently?

Percent of students who report having a drink in the past month



### ...while driving?

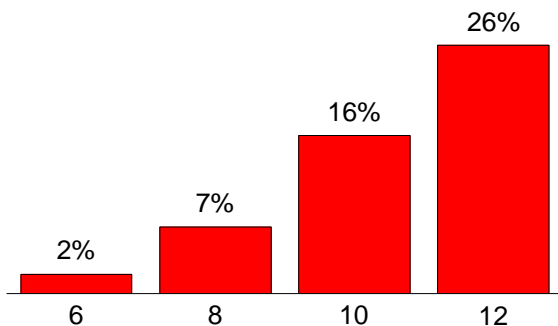
Percent of students who report drinking and driving OR riding with a driver who had been drinking



Note: Not collected from 6th Graders

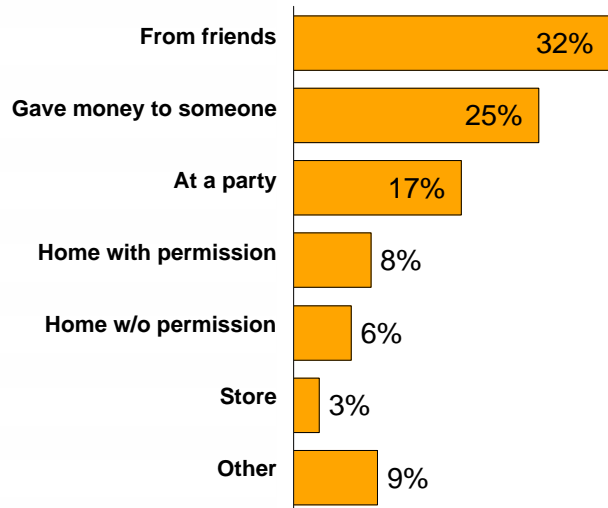
### ...frequently?

Percent of students who report drinking on 3 or more days in the past month



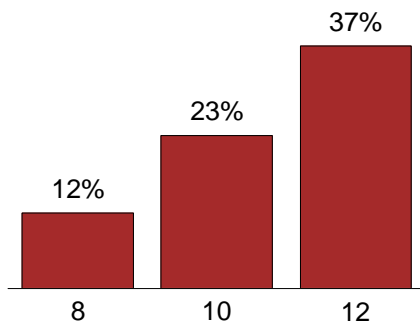
### How do students get alcohol ?

(n=151 drinkers)



### ...heavily?

Percent of students who report being drunk or very high from drinking alcohol at least once in the past 30 days.



Note: Not collected from 6th Graders

Survey results are generated from student responses to the statewide 2006 Healthy Youth Survey. For additional grade-specific information about alcohol and other health issues, please visit [www.AskHYS.net](http://www.AskHYS.net)

# surveyed in county sample:

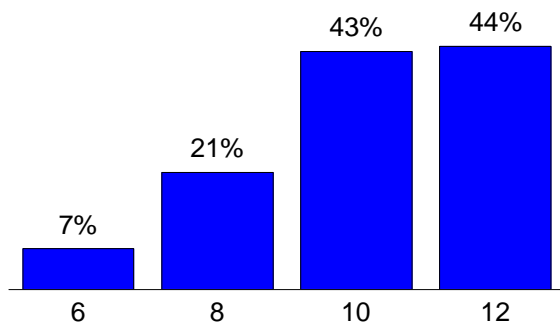
6th n=406, 8th n=428, 10th n=281, 12th n=334



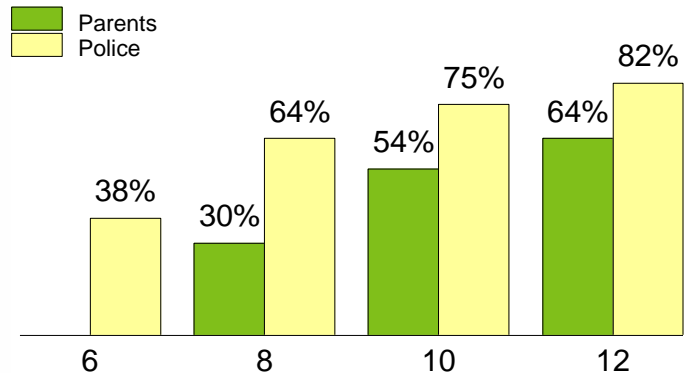
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to Reduce Underage Drinking

## How strong are barriers to drinking in Douglas County ?

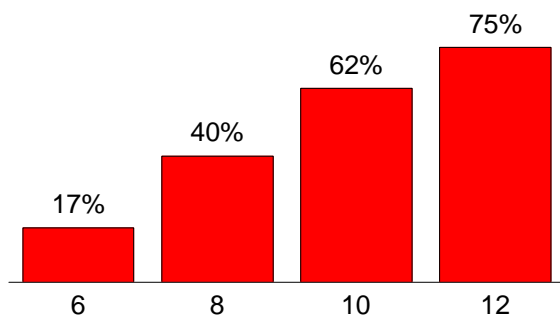
Percent of students who feel that it is NOT wrong or just a little bit wrong for someone their age to drink alcohol regularly.



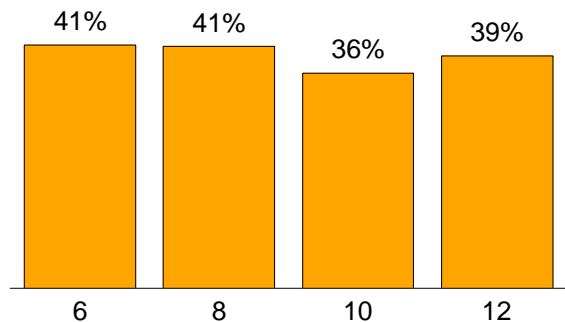
Percent of students who think they will NOT get caught by parents\* or police if they drink alcohol.



Percent of students who think it is easy to get alcohol when they want.



Percent of students who think there is NO risk or just a slight risk of harming themselves if they drink alcohol nearly every day.



\*Questions about parental attitudes were included at the discretion of the school districts. Results may not reflect a representative sample of all students in the community.

### Good News:

**Parents are the #1 influence on their kids. Kids don't want to disappoint their parents.**

Parents can protect their kids from drinking by:

- Not accepting alcohol as a rite of passage to adulthood
- Setting clear rules about not drinking
- Helping them deal with peer pressure
- Being a good role model – show kids you don't need a drink to relax or celebrate

Find out how to talk with your child at [www.StartTalkingNow.org](http://www.StartTalkingNow.org)

