HIGH SCHOOL KIDS THESE DAYS!
News from the West Virginia 2017 Youth Risk Behavior High School Survey

SOME RISKY BEHAVIORS ARE LOWER.

West Virginia High School Students

Today. 25 Years Ago.

- 19% Get into physical fights
- 91% Wear a seatbelt
- 6% Are frequent smokers
- 28% Drink alcohol
- 13% Ride in a car driven by a drunk driver
- 19% Seriously considered suicide
- 46% Had sexual intercourse
- 24% Offered, sold, or given an illegal drug on school grounds
- 19% Used marijuana
- 14% of sexually active students Have unprotected sex
- 26% Have unprotected sex

SOME RISKY BEHAVIORS ARE ABOUT THE SAME.

- 66% Are frequent smokers
- 53% Drink alcohol
- 27% Seriously considered suicide
- 26% Offered, sold, or given an illegal drug on school grounds
- 19% Used marijuana
- 14% of sexually active students Have unprotected sex

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More than a third of today’s students who drive have recently texted while driving, which is at least as dangerous—some studies say more dangerous—than driving while intoxicated!*