



# De Baca County

New Mexico Youth Risk and Resiliency Survey  
(YRRS)  
Middle School  
Grades 6-8, 2011

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**Risk Behaviors at a Glance**  
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<u>Indicator</u>	<u>De Baca County</u>		<u>New Mexico</u>	
	%	(95% CI)	%	(95% CI)
<b>Unintentional Injury</b>				
Rarely or never wore a bicycle helmet (of those who rode a bicycle)	96.4	(87.5-99.0)	75.9	(69.6-81.2)
Rarely or never wore a seatbelt	8.4	(4.1-16.7)	7.5	(6.4-8.7)
<b>Violence</b>				
Ever been in a physical fight	53.4	(33.5-72.4)	48.5	(45.4-51.6)
Ever bullied on school property	69.7	(56.6-80.2)	43.7	(41.3-46.2)
Ever bullied electronically	32.6	(21.0-46.8)	17.2	(15.5-19.1)
<b>Mental Health</b>				
Ever seriously thought about killing self	30.2	(16.0-49.6)	19.8	(17.9-21.8)
Ever planned to kill self	28.2	(13.9-48.8)	11.3	(9.8-13.0)
Ever tried to kill self	18.6	(6.6-42.5)	7.0	(5.6-8.6)
<b>Tobacco Use</b>				
Ever smoked cigarettes	25.6	(12.1-46.2)	23.1	(20.7-25.8)
Current cigarette smoking	5.6	(1.8-16.0)	6.8	(5.6-8.3)
Current cigar smoking	3.9	(1.4-10.6)	5.8	(4.5-7.5)
Current spit tobacco use (chew, dip, or snuff)	5.5	(1.8-15.3)	3.7	(2.7-5.1)
<b>Alcohol Use</b>				
Ever drank alcohol	28.8	(18.4-42.1)	29.5	(27.3-31.7)
Current drinking	13.0	(6.7-23.7)	12.9	(11.6-14.3)
Binge drinking	9.0	(4.6-17.2)	6.3	(5.4-7.5)
Drank alcohol before age 11	12.9	(5.9-26.0)	14.5	(13.0-16.2)

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<u>Indicator</u>	<u>De Baca County</u>		<u>New Mexico</u>	
	%	(95% CI)	%	(95% CI)
<b>Drug Use</b>				
Ever used marijuana	17.0	(9.8-27.9)	15.9	(13.3-18.9)
Current marijuana use	9.6	(4.5-19.4)	10.1	(8.2-12.4)
Ever used prescription drug without a doctor's prescription	7.0	(2.1-20.8)	8.0	(7.4-8.7)
Ever used a painkiller to get high	7.9	(2.8-20.7)	4.9	(4.0-5.8)
Ever used cocaine	6.3	(1.8-19.5)	3.6	(2.8-4.6)
Ever used inhalants	23.0	(11.4-40.9)	11.8	(10.3-13.4)
Ever used illegal injection drugs	2.3	(0.4-12.9)	1.2	(0.9-1.7)
<b>Sexual Behaviors</b>				
Ever had sexual intercourse	18.8	(5.0-50.5)	10.5	(9.2-11.9)
Had sexual intercourse before age 11	5.7	(1.9-15.4)	2.9	(2.3-3.7)
Had sexual intercourse with three or more people in lifetime	9.9	(2.3-33.4)	3.1	(2.6-3.8)
Used a condom at last sexual intercourse (among those who ever had sexual intercourse)	21.4	(10.8-38.0)	69.1	(62.2-75.2)
<b>Body Weight</b>				
Ever fasted to lose weight	21.4	(9.7-40.9)	20.3	(19.2-21.5)
Ever vomited or used laxatives to lose weight	3.4	(0.5-18.3)	4.9	(4.1-5.8)
<b>Physical Activity</b>				
Three or more hours of TV viewing daily	27.0	(18.6-37.4)	31.7	(29.5-34.1)
Three or more hours of computer time daily (not for school work)	15.2	(11.6-19.5)	26.0	(23.7-28.6)
Physically active for at least 60 minutes per day every day	49.4	(29.5-69.5)	31.7	(28.9-34.6)
No days with at least 60 minutes of physical activity in the past seven days	13.2	(4.2-34.5)	17.4	(14.1-21.3)
Daily physical education at school	44.7	(23.3-68.3)	30.4	(22.7-39.4)



Participation in De Baca County

The response rate for De Baca County was 65%.

A high response rate produces survey results that are more representative of the student population. A response rate of at least 60% allows generalization of results to the entire student body. A response rate of 70% is excellent and allows a high degree of confidence in results. Because a high response rate means that more students have been surveyed, a high response rate will also be reflected in the error bars (i.e., with a higher response rate and more students included in the survey, error bars will be smaller and confidence intervals will be narrower). Response rates below 60% are considered low, and caution should be exercised in interpreting results. Low response rates indicate that the data may represent only students who participated in the survey and not necessarily the entire student body.

Profile of students surveyed

	<u>Number of students</u>	<u>Percent (%)</u>
<u>Total</u>	52	(100%)
<u>Gender</u>		
Girls	31	(59.6%)
Boys	21	(40.4%)
<u>Race/Ethnicity</u>		
American Indian or Alaska Native	8	(17.4%)
Asian or Pacific Islander	1	(1.4%)
Black or African-American	3	(6.5%)
Hispanic	27	(52.9%)
White	34	(73.9%)
<u>Grade Level</u>		
6th	19	(36.5%)
7th	17	(32.7%)
8th	16	(30.8%)
Other	0	(0.0%)

Totals may add up to more or less than 100%, because

1. For race/ethnicity, respondents were allowed to choose multiple responses.
2. Data may be missing for some demographic measures if respondents chose not to answer certain questions.



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Highlights from the New Mexico Youth Risk and Resiliency Survey (YRRS)  
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Results from the 2011 NM Youth Risk and Resiliency Survey mark the second survey year of high quality middle school YRRS data at the state level. This report examines 2011 YRRS results for De Baca County, and compares them to 2009 results and to state level 2011 results. Please use these results to help make New Mexico and your own community a safer and healthier place for all of our young people. For comprehensive YRRS results, see this website:

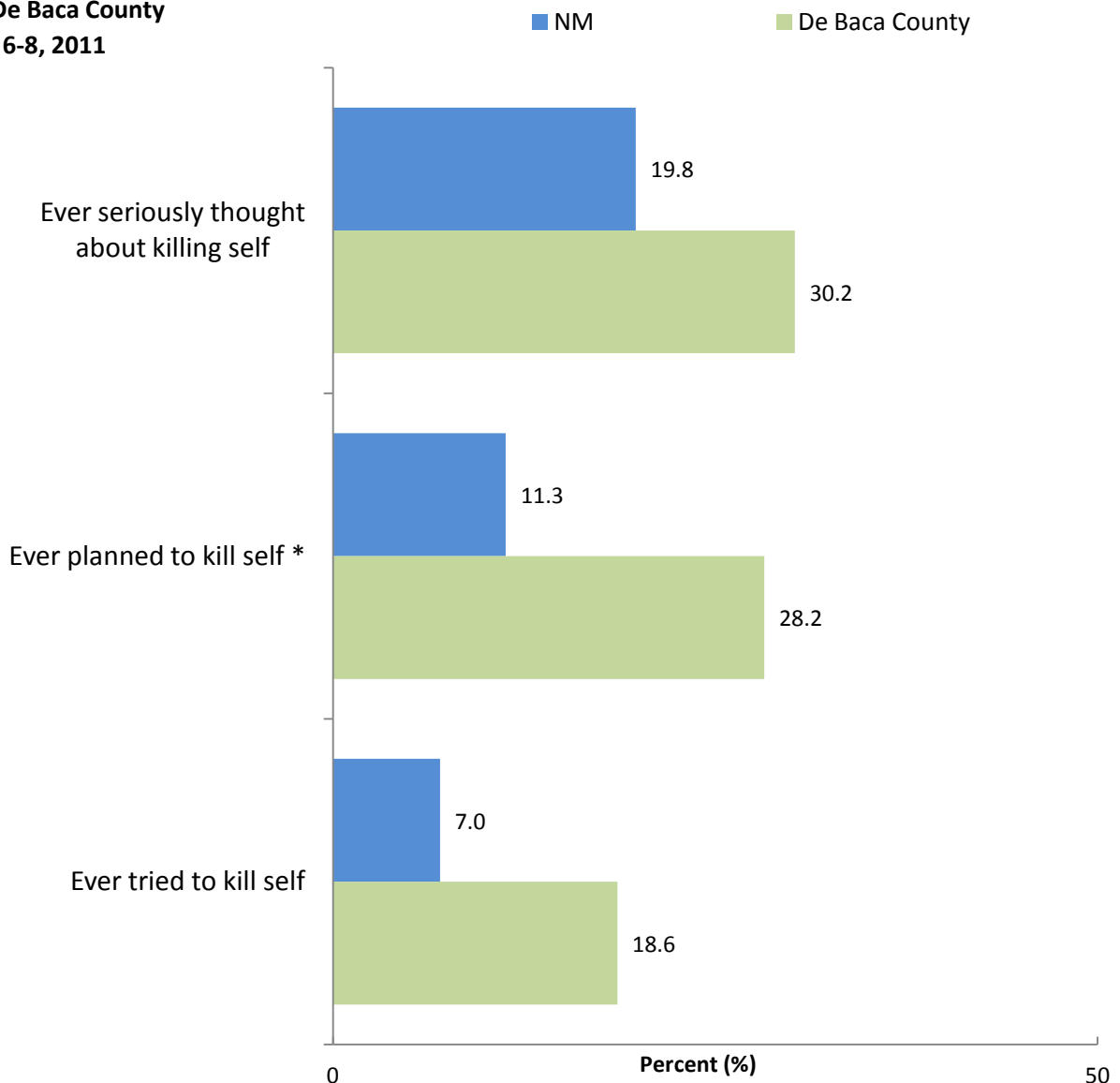
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**Mental Health**

Suicide is the second leading cause of death among adolescents in New Mexico. Past suicide attempts are highly associated with completed suicides.

**Mental Health Indicators**

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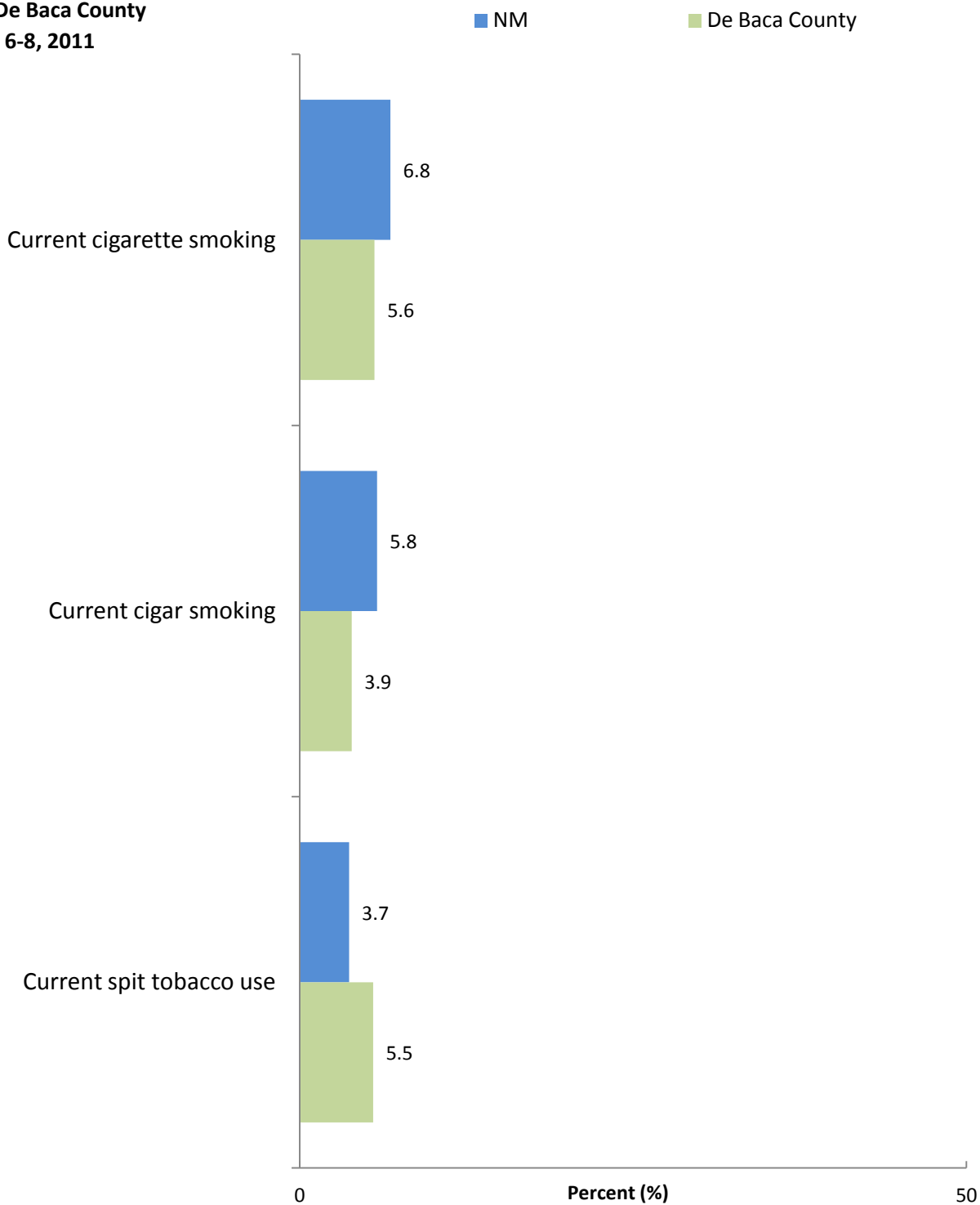


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**Tobacco Use**

Cigarette smoking and other tobacco use can cause cancer, respiratory illnesses, and other conditions related to the leading causes of death for New Mexicans of all ages. The YRRS does not differentiate between ceremonial and non-ceremonial tobacco use.

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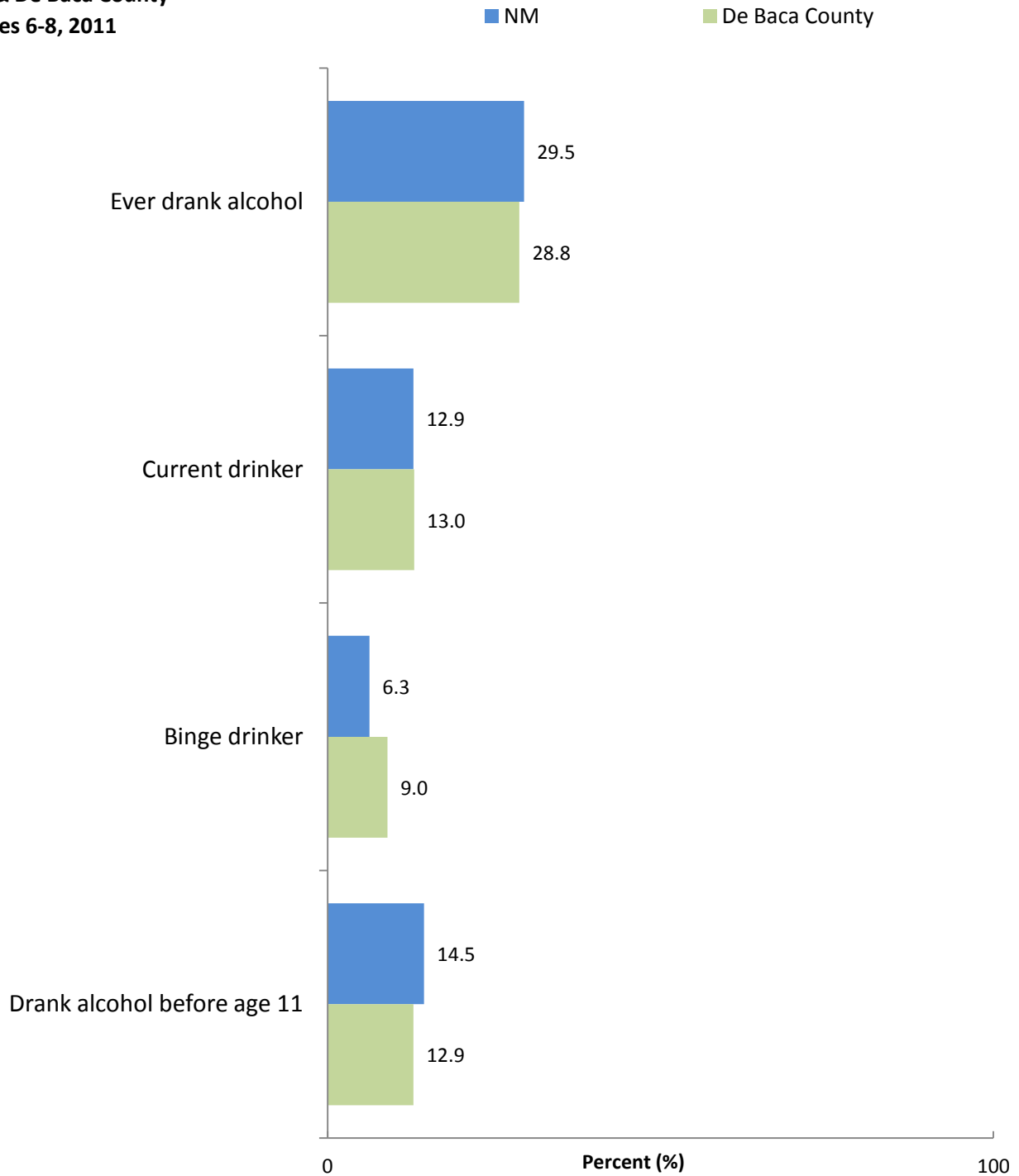
**Alcohol Use**

Alcohol use by young people is associated with injuries such as motor vehicle crashes, the leading cause of death among adolescents. Alcohol use at an early age is also associated with an increased risk of chronic liver disease and alcohol dependence later in life.

**Alcohol Use in the Past 30 Days**

**NM & De Baca County**

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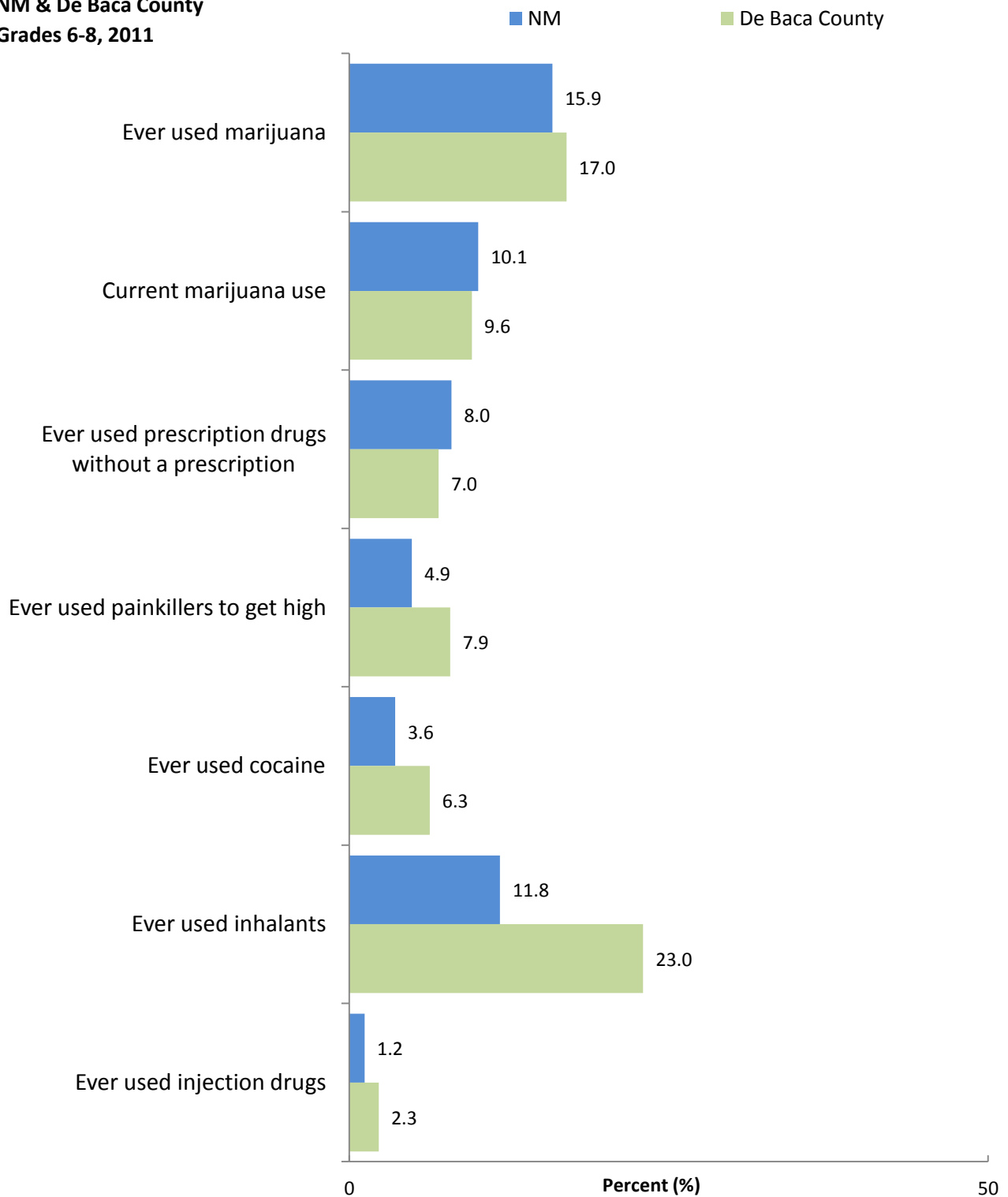
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**Drug Use**

Drug use by adolescents is associated with accidental injury and death. Injection drug use is associated with infectious diseases such as HIV and Hepatitis B and C.

**Drug Use**

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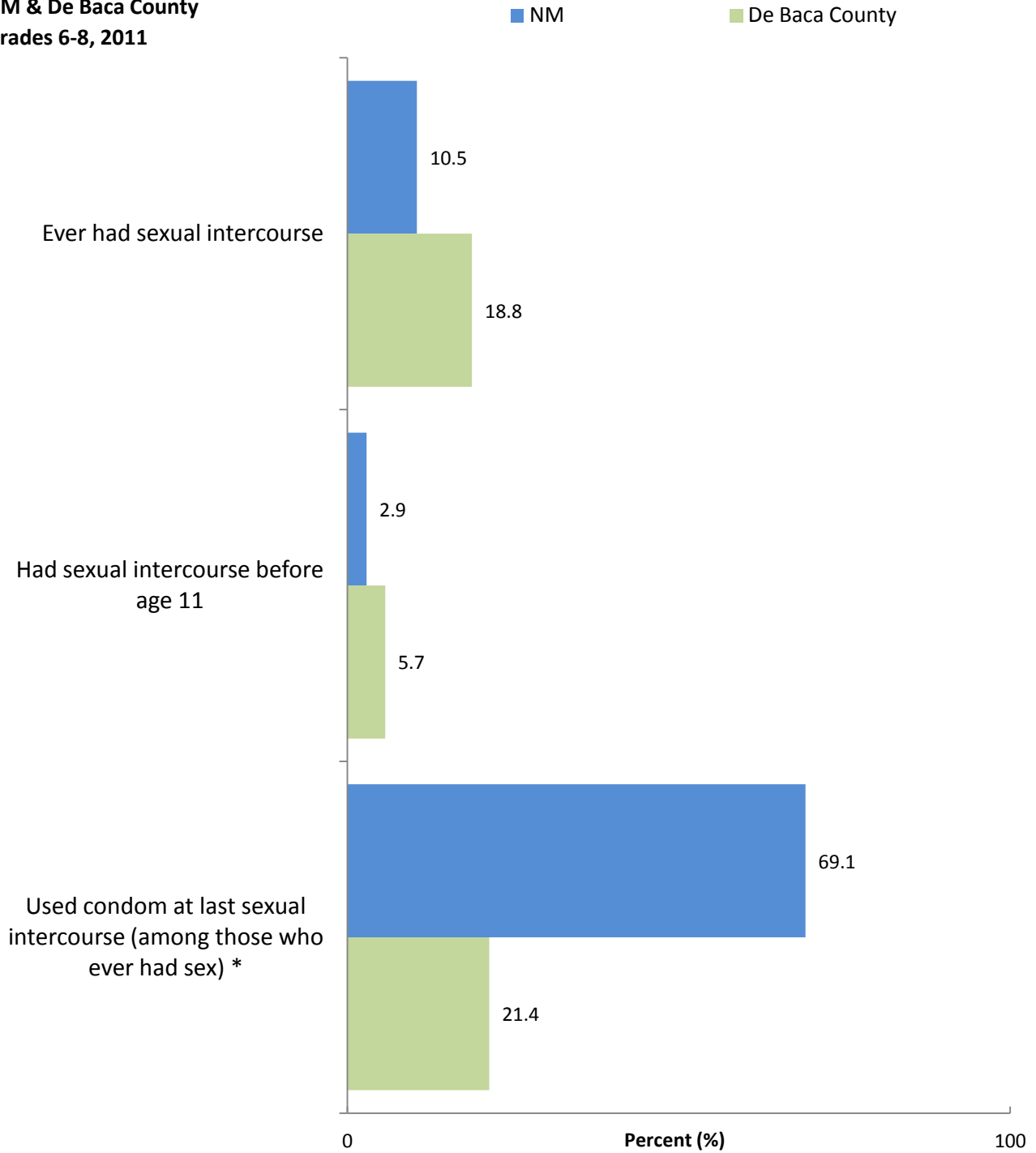
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**Sexual Activity**

Early and unsafe sexual activity puts teens at risk of unplanned pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections.

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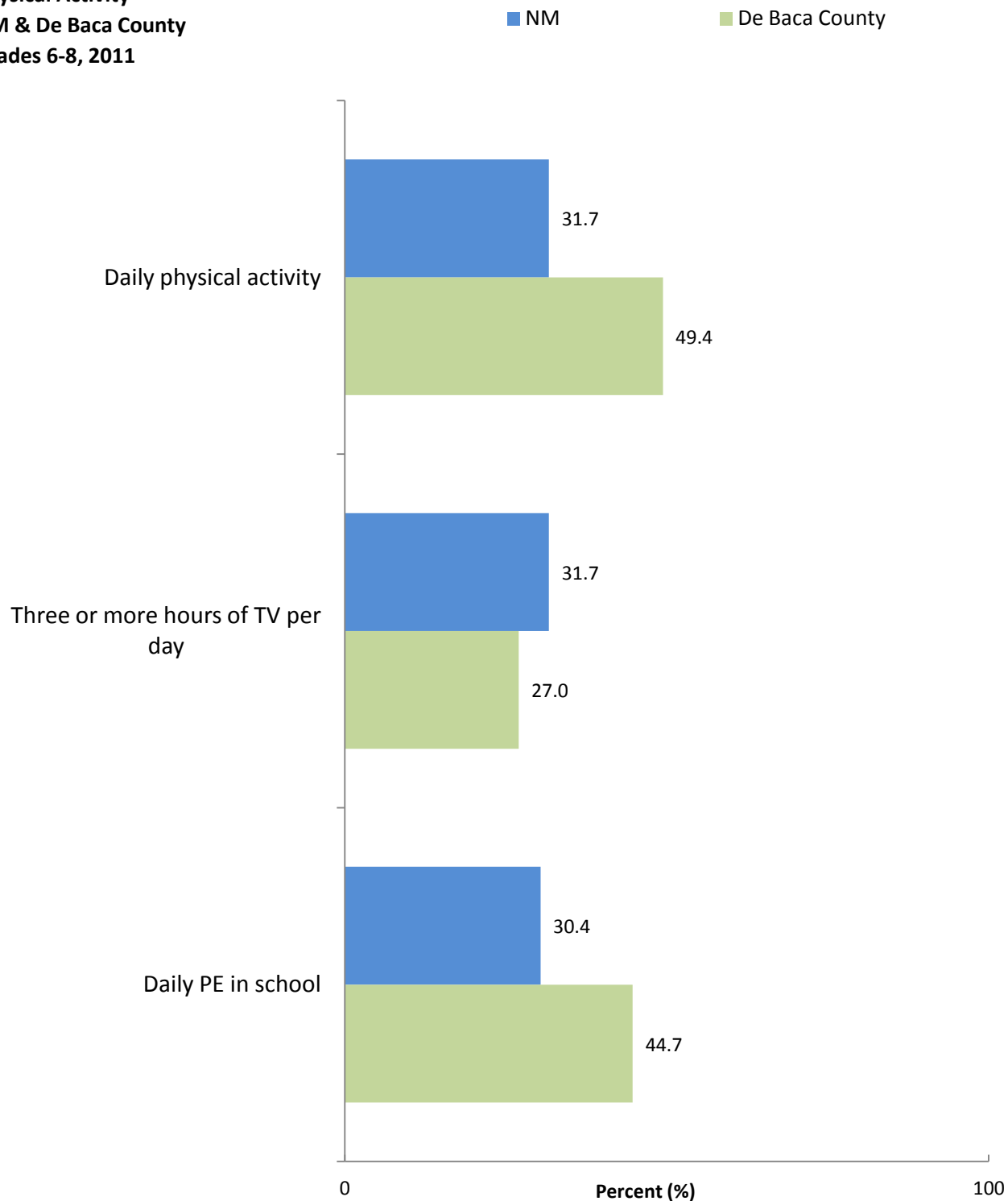


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**Physical Activity**

Lack of physical activity puts young people at risk of becoming overweight or obese. Obesity and overweight place teens at risk of many chronic diseases that can cause death or disability.

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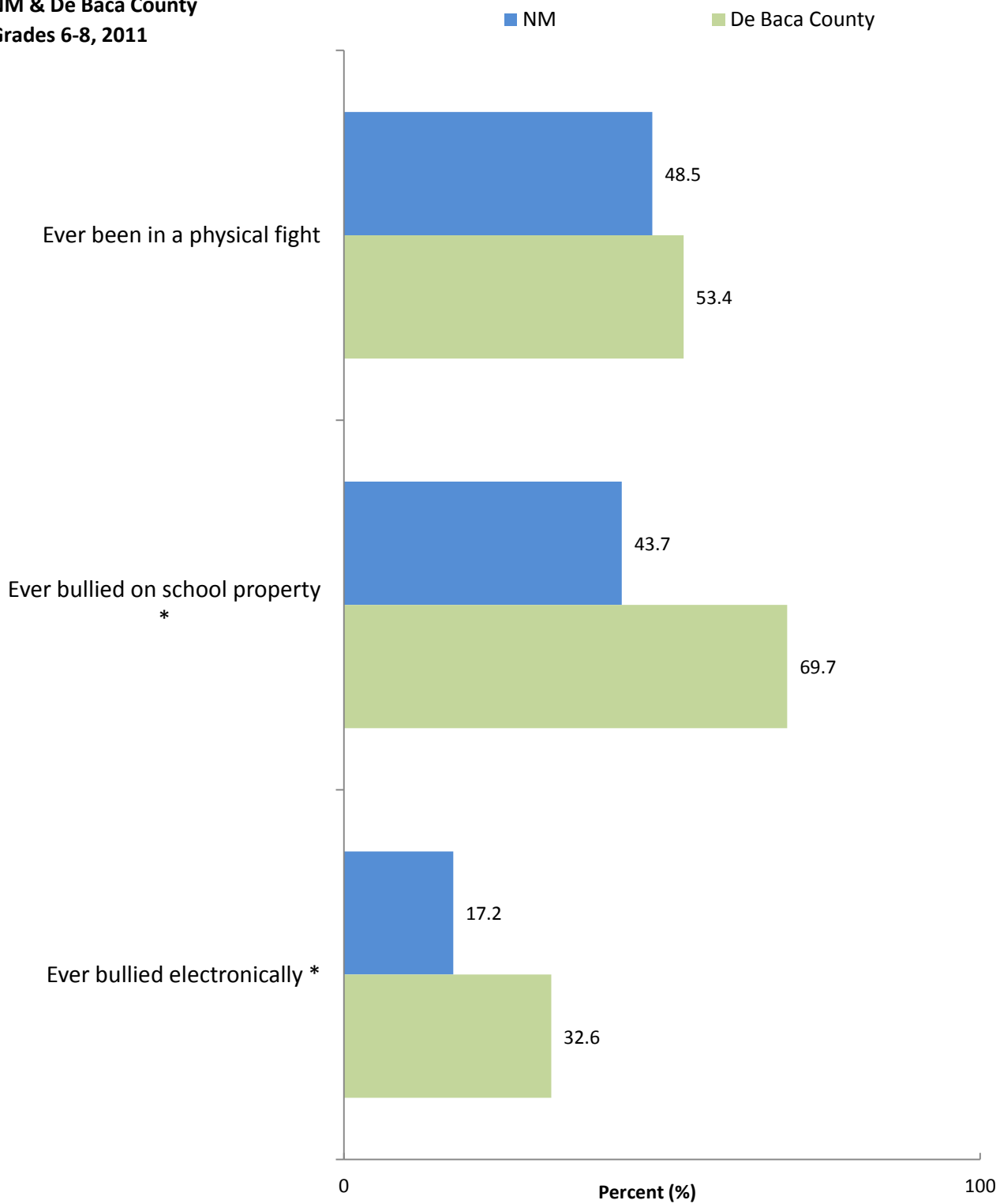


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**Behaviors Associated with Violence**

A new question about cyber-bullying (electronic bullying) was added to the YRRS in 2011.

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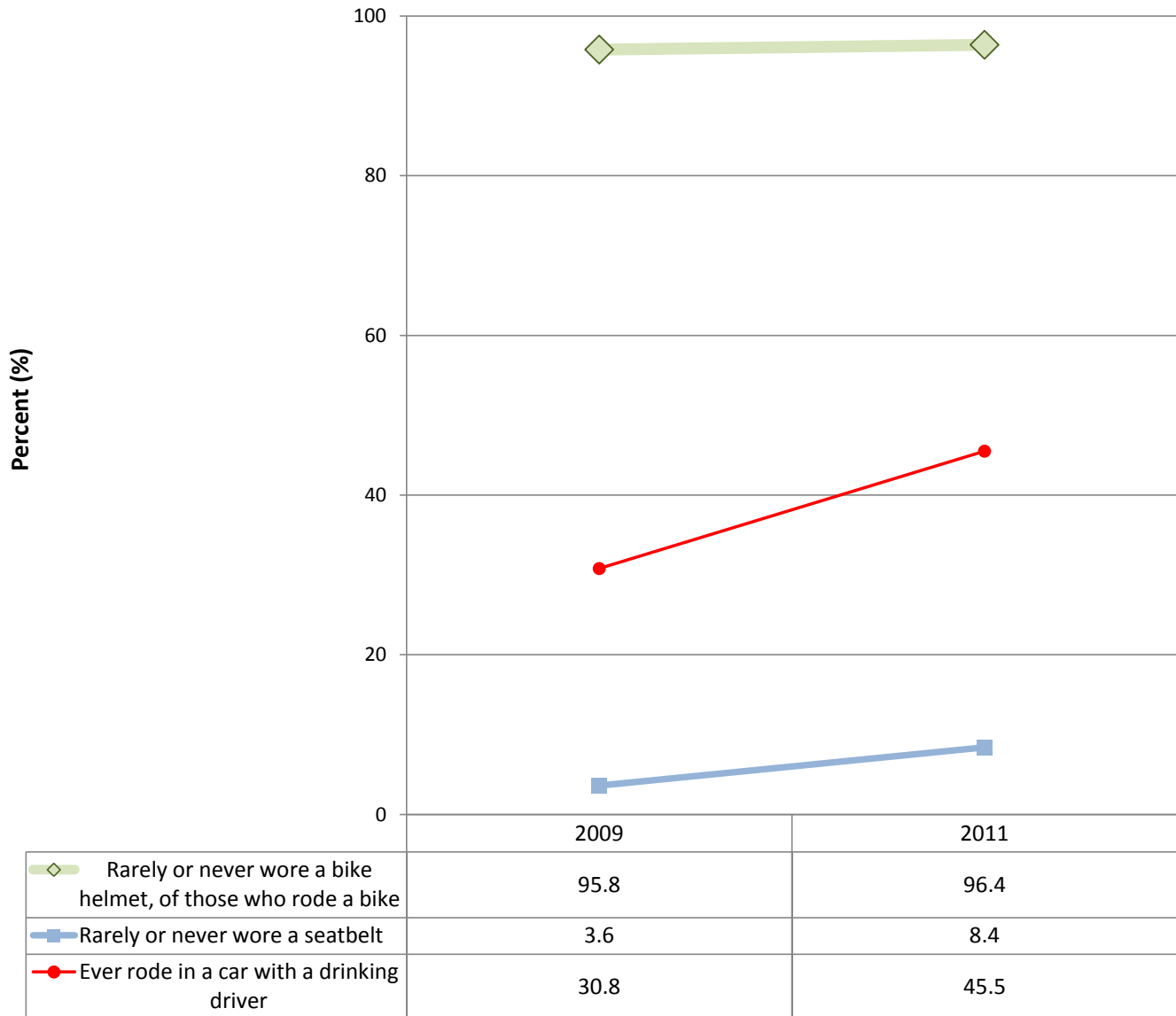


## De Baca County Charts



## Unintentional Injury

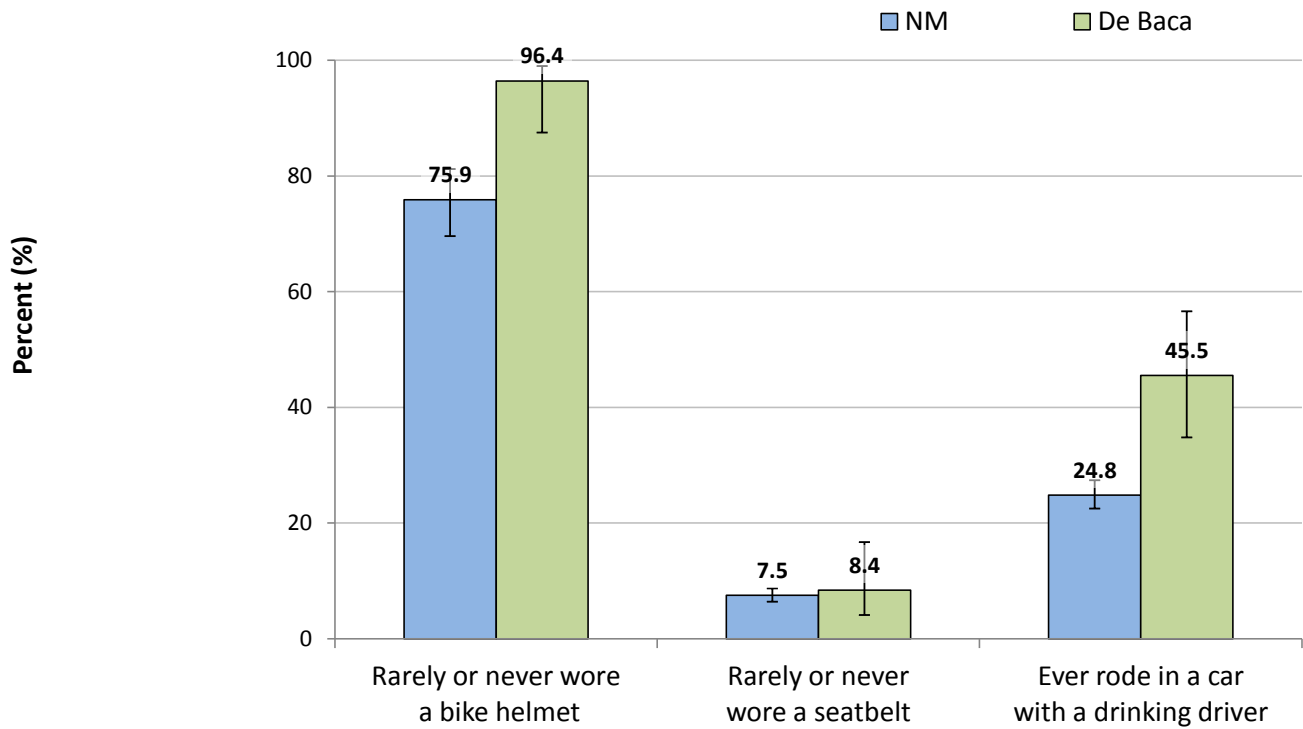
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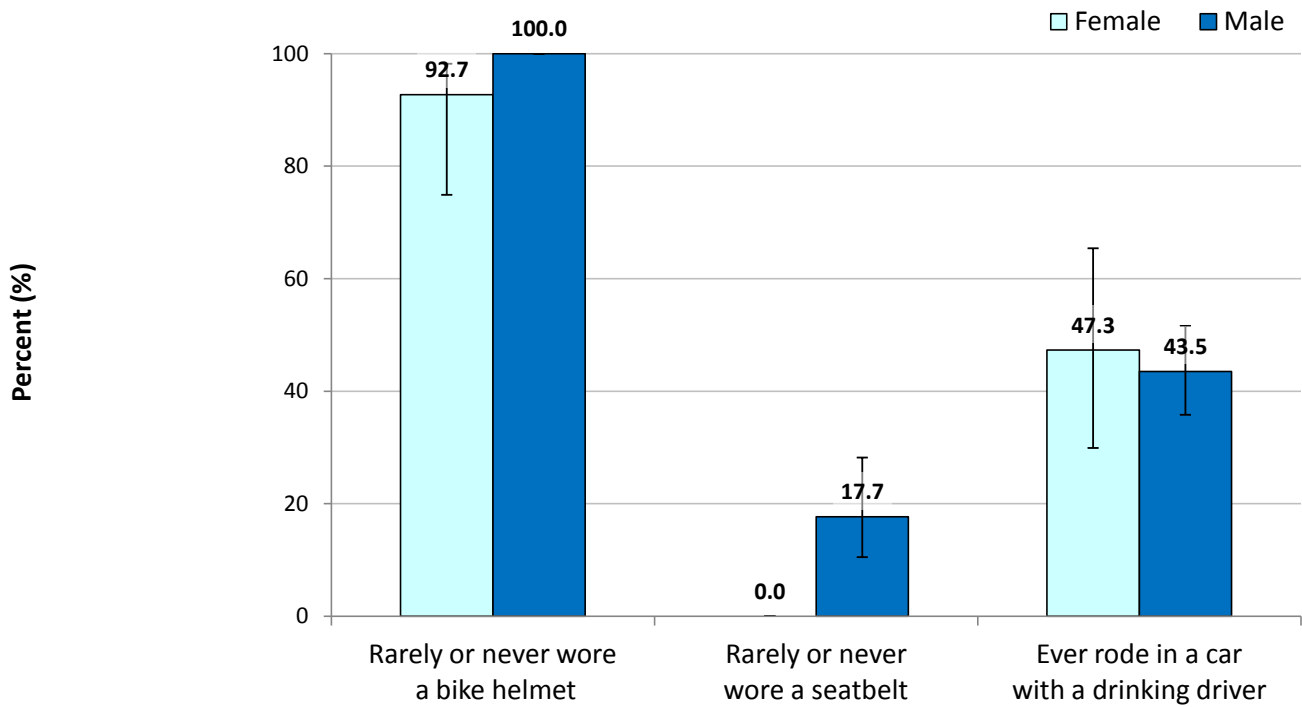
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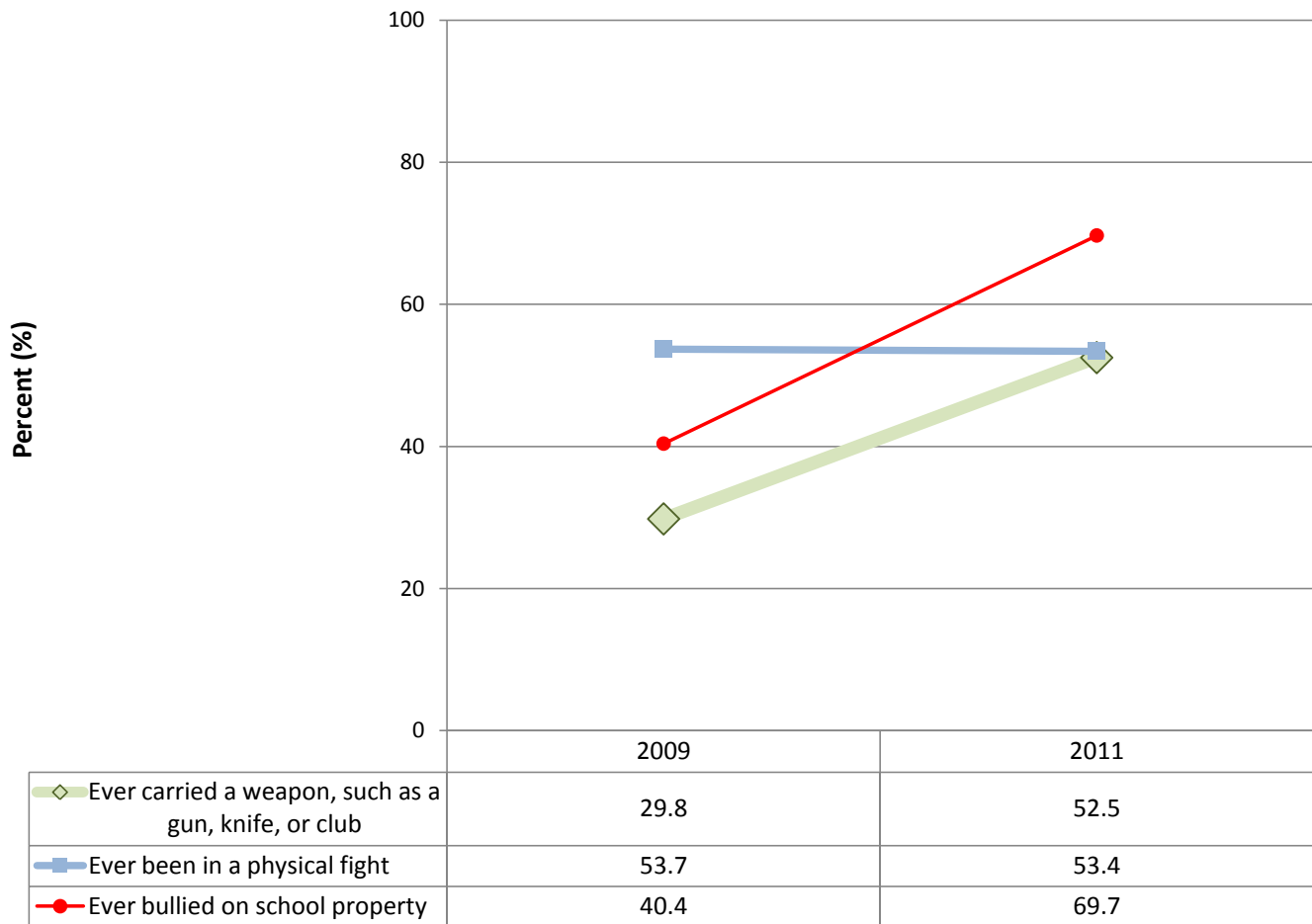
By Gender, De Baca County





**Injury: Behaviors Associated with Violence**

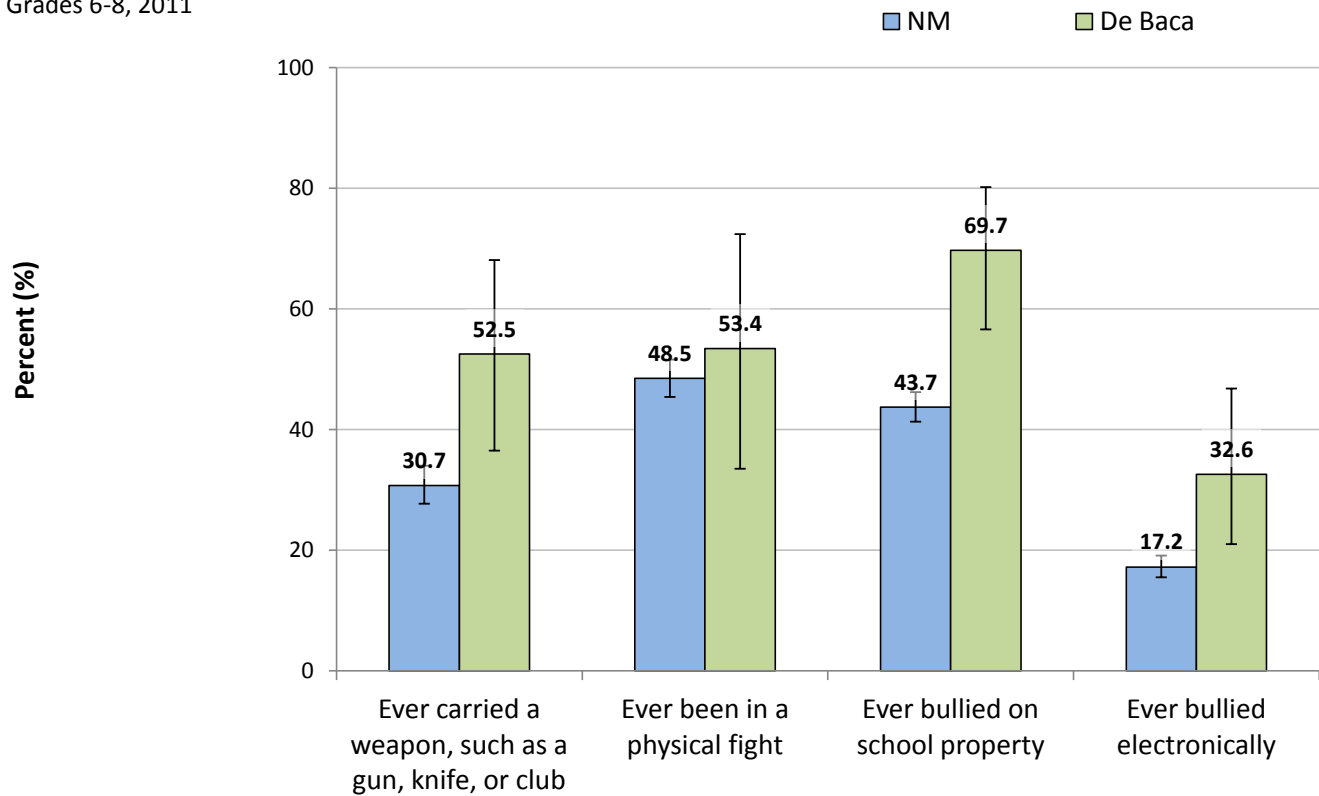
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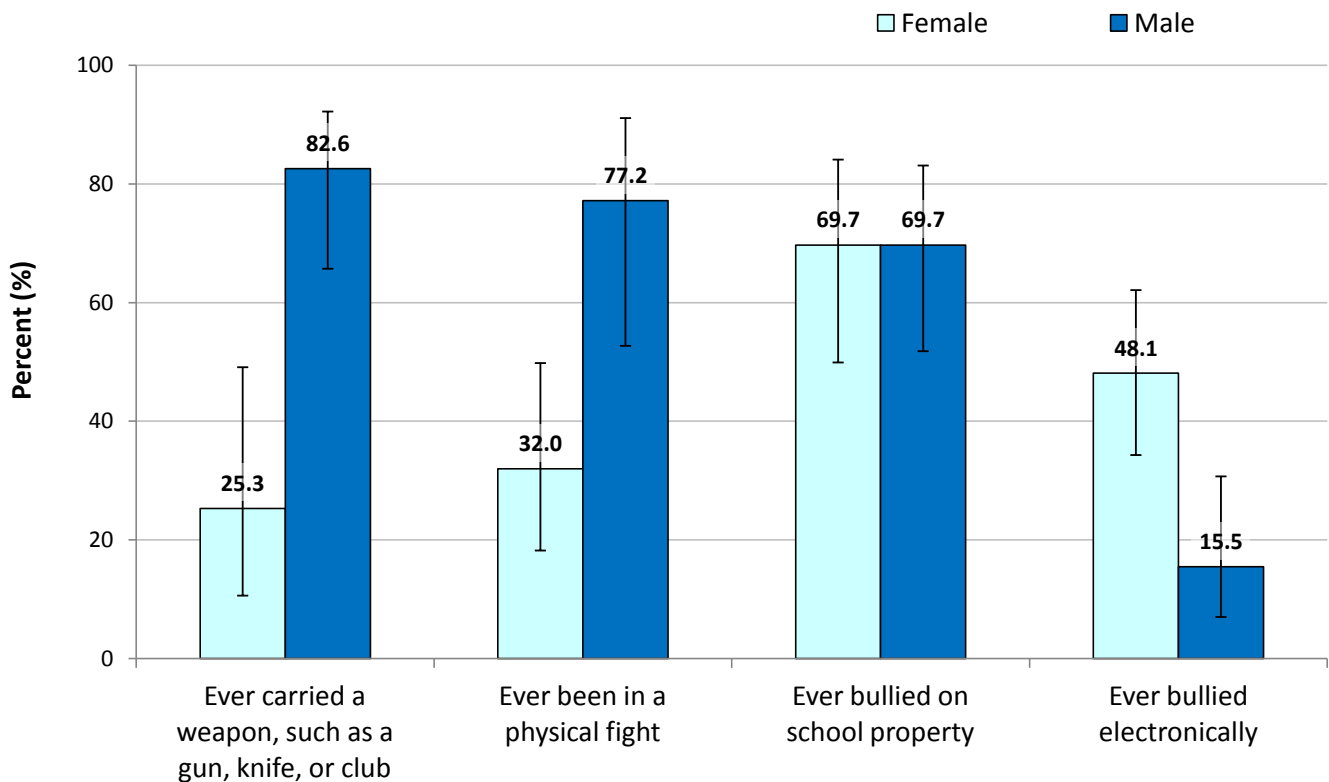
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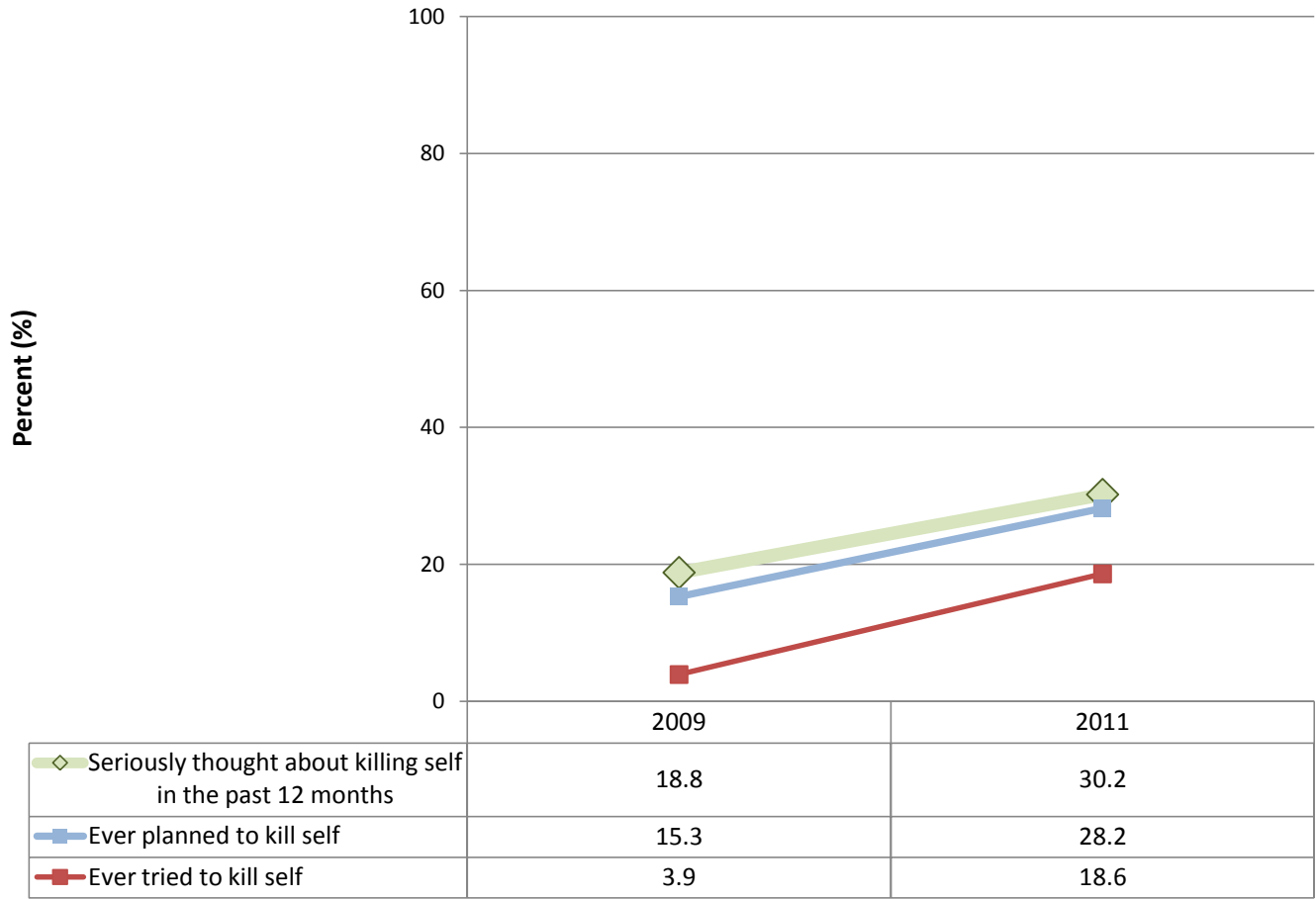


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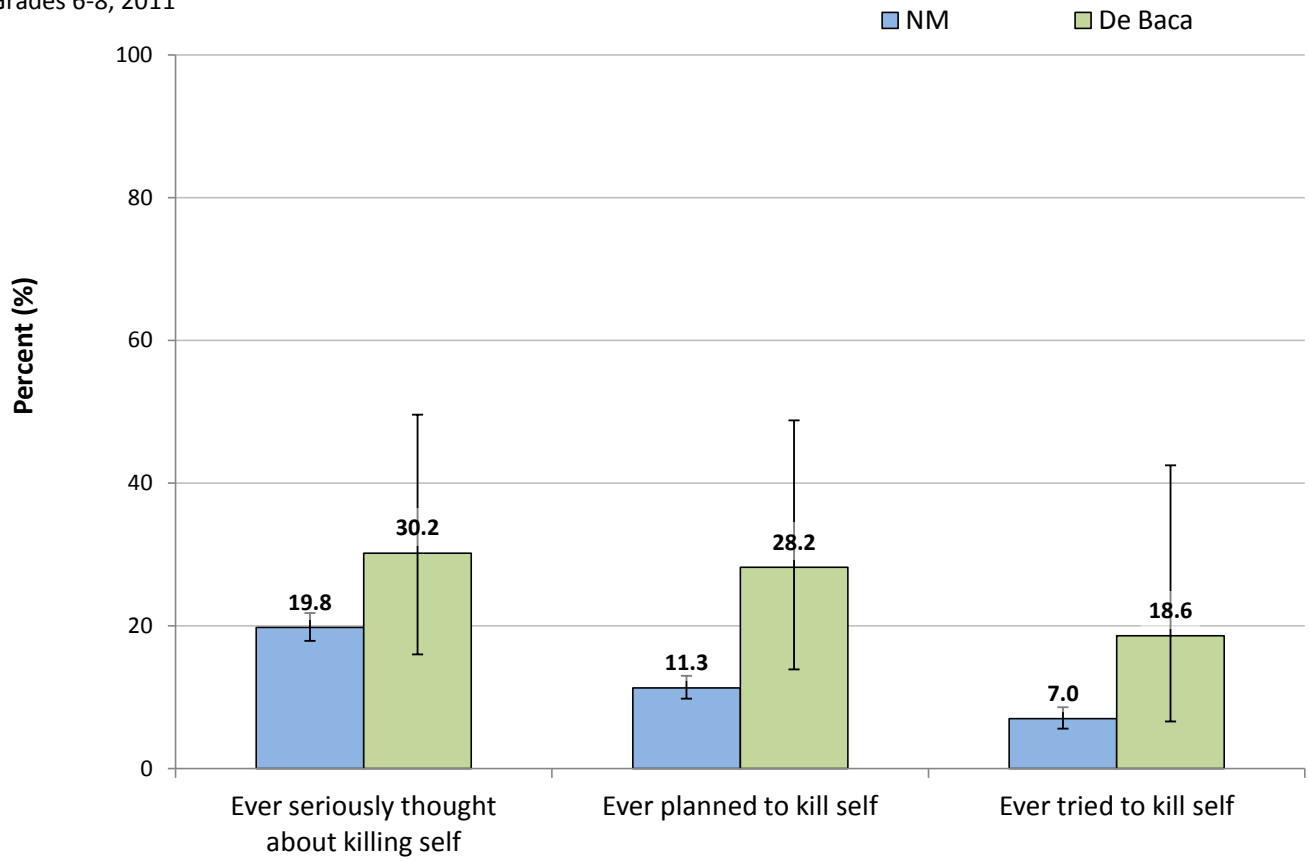
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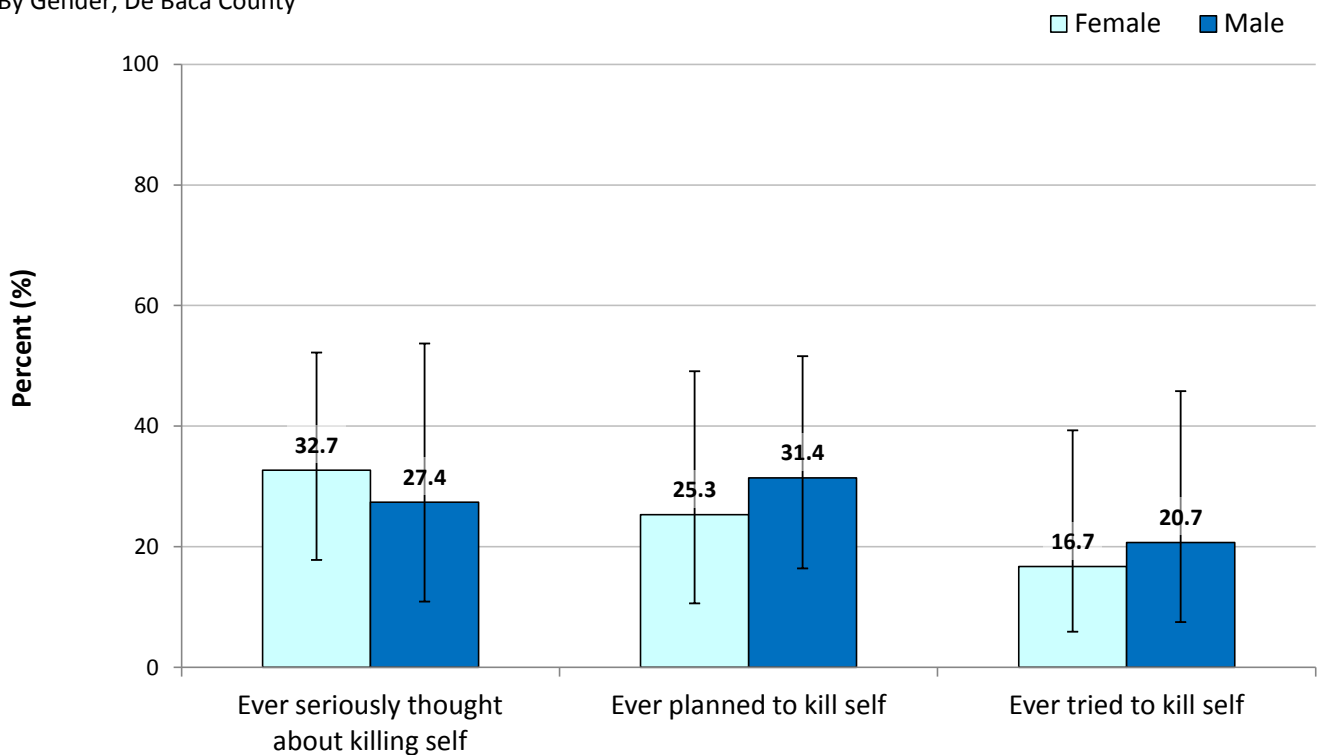


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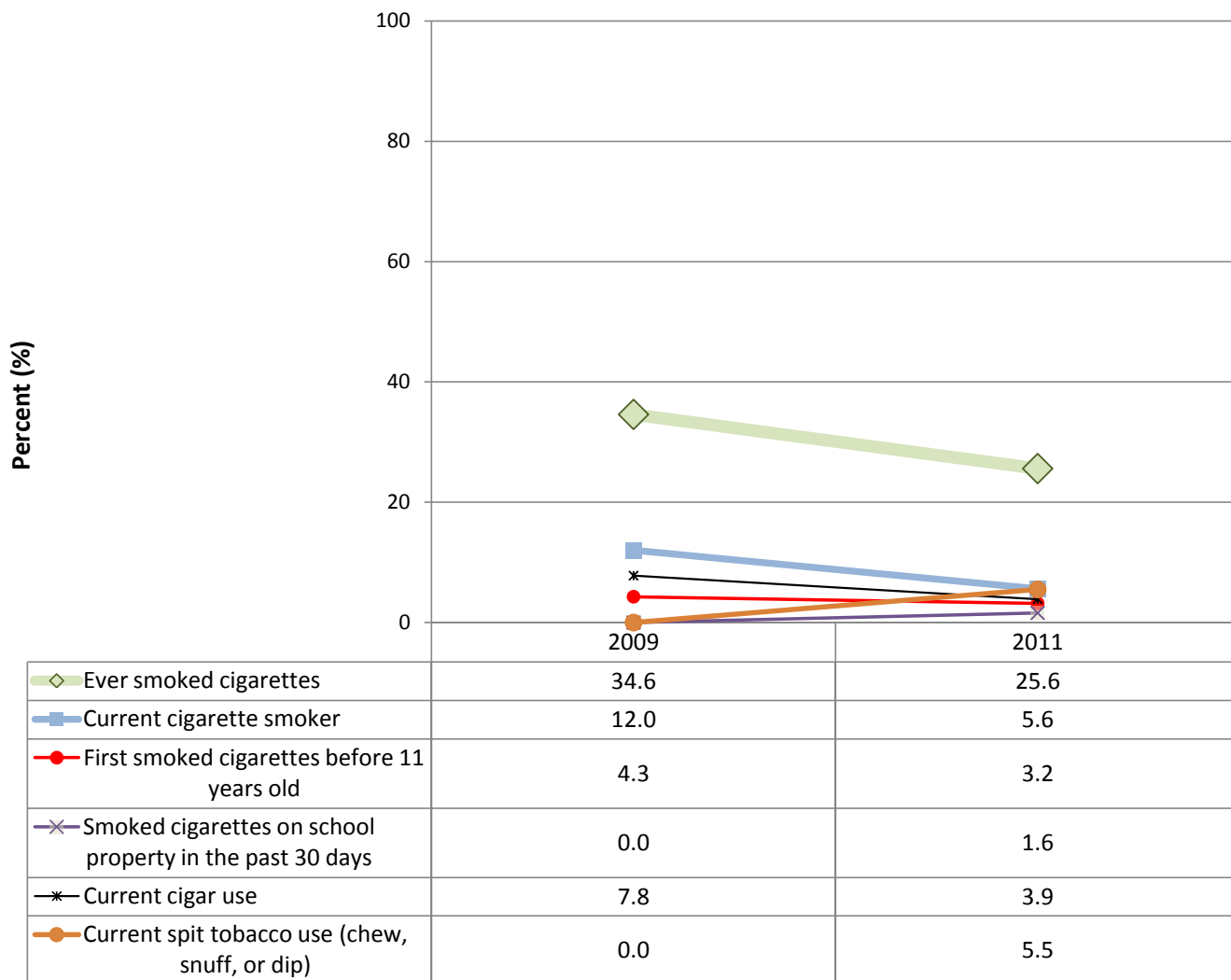


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### Tobacco Use

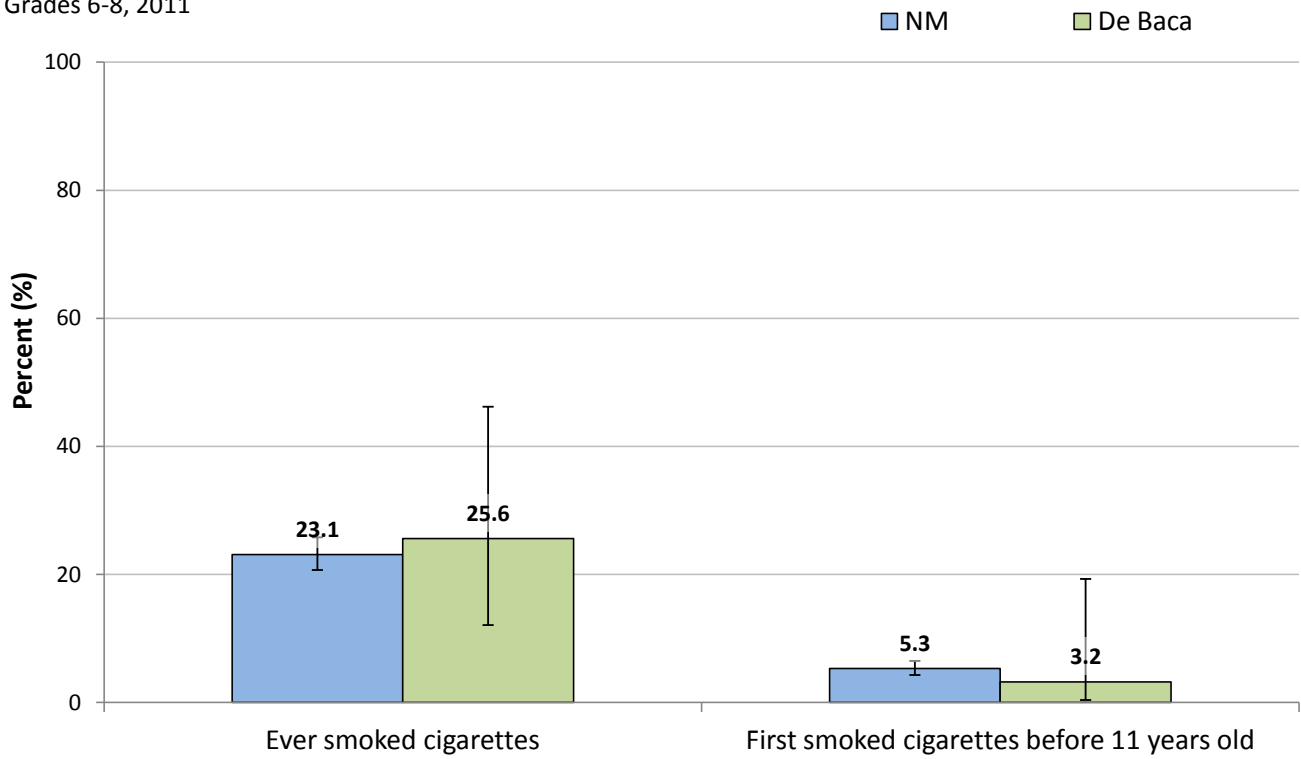
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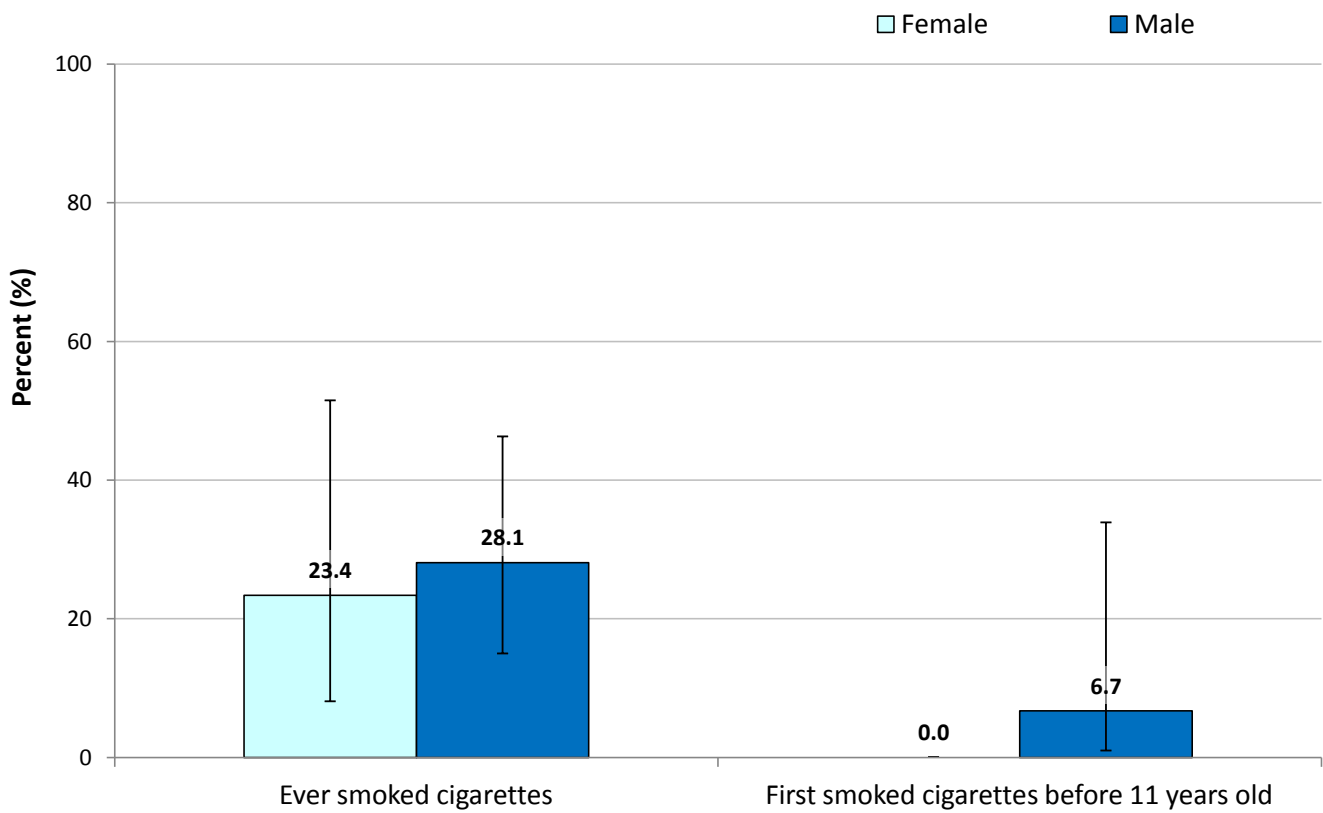
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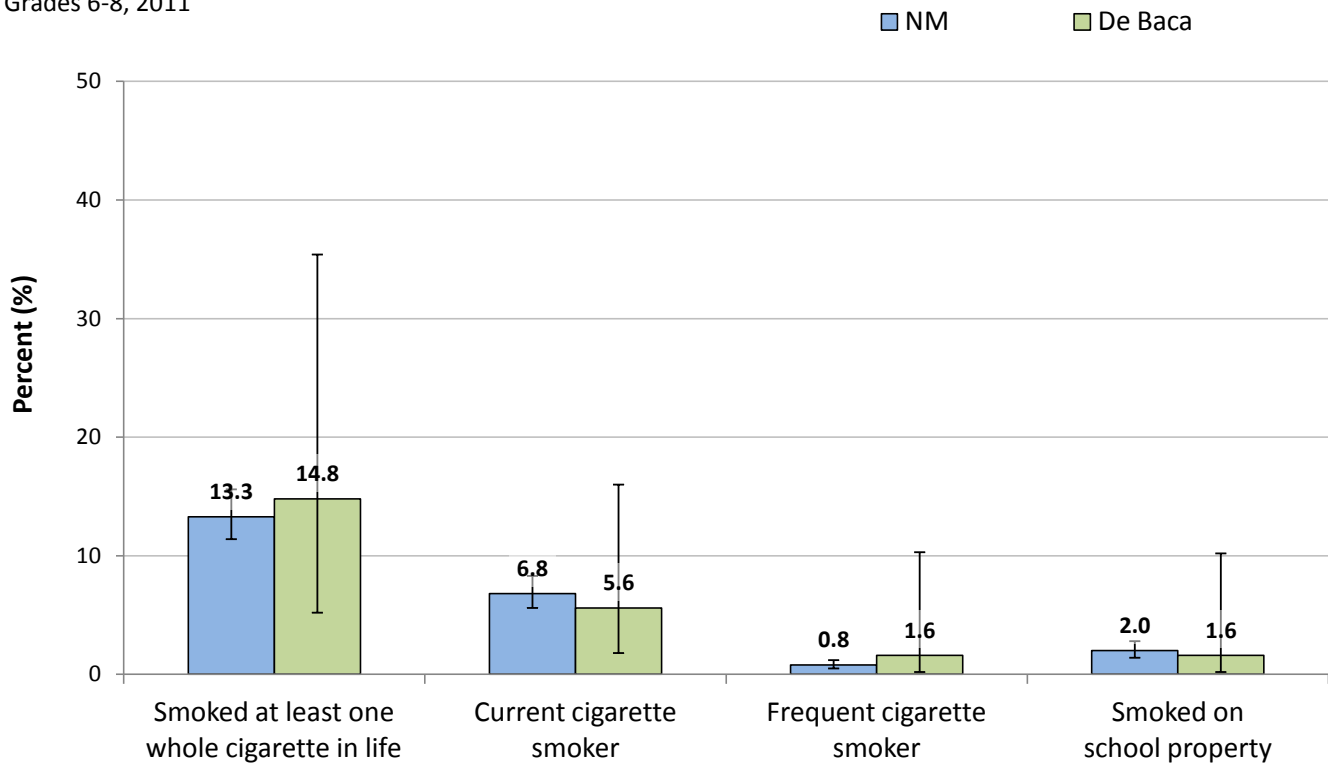


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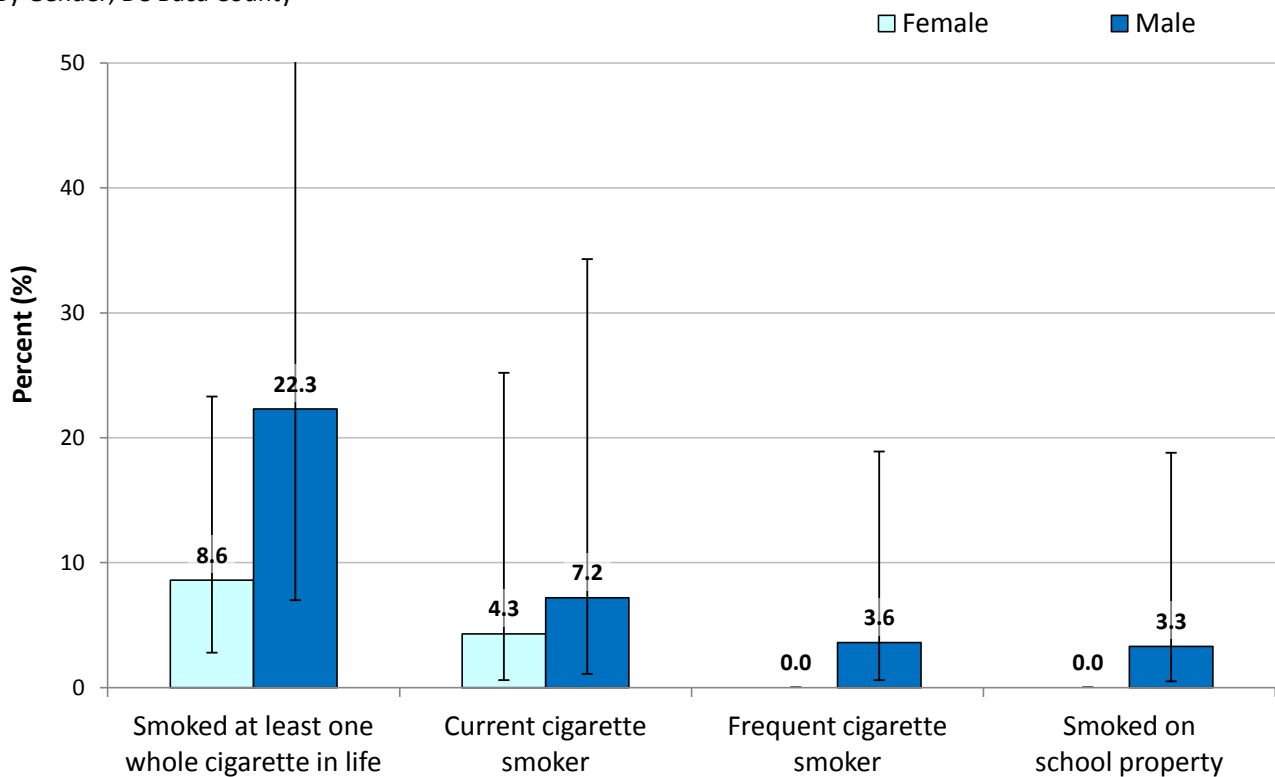


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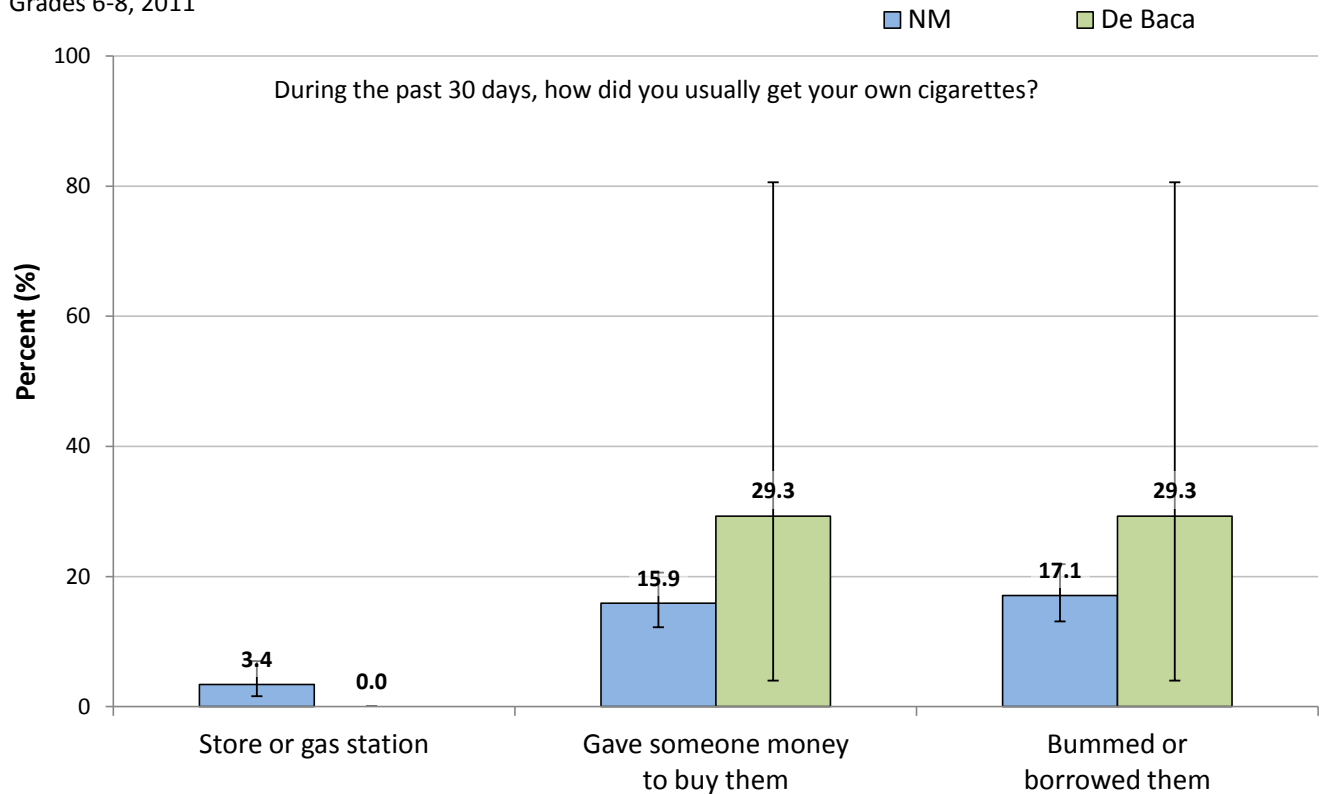
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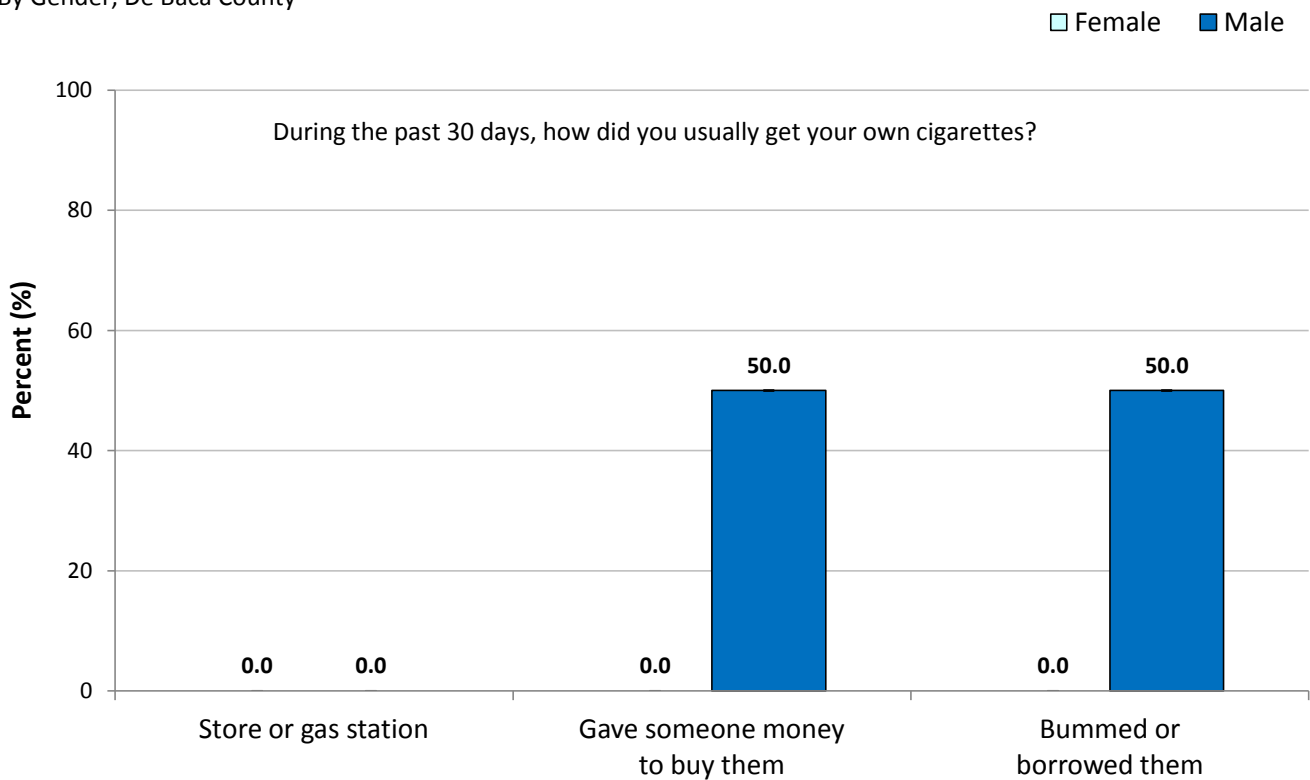
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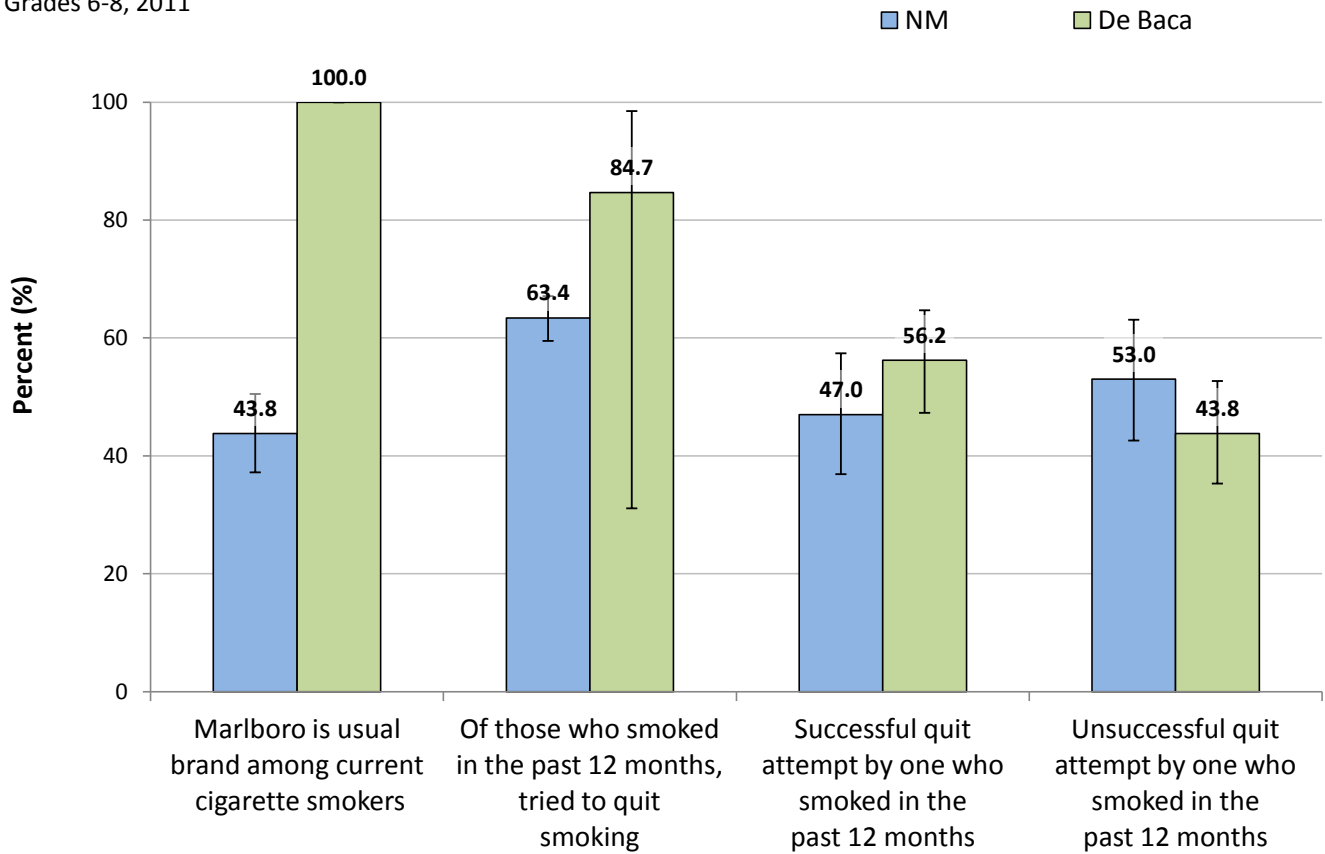




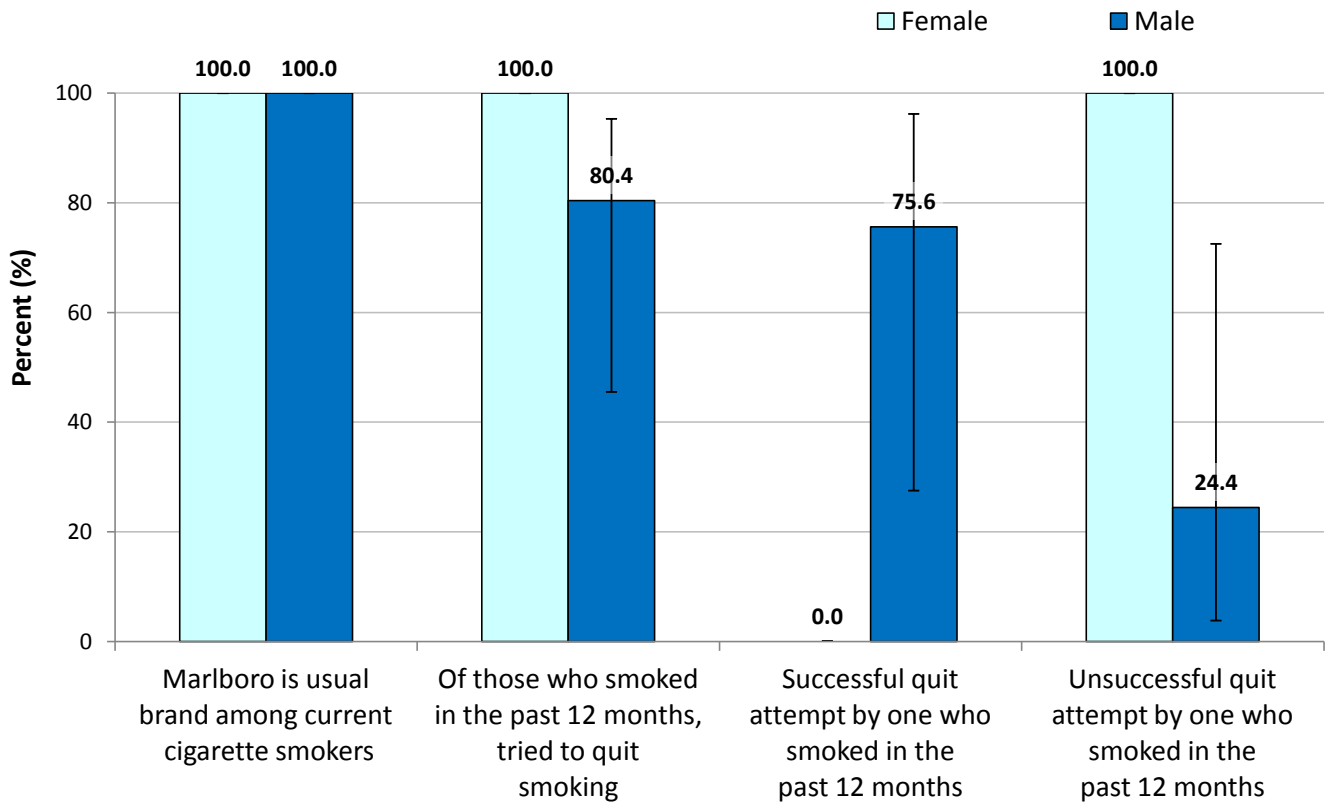
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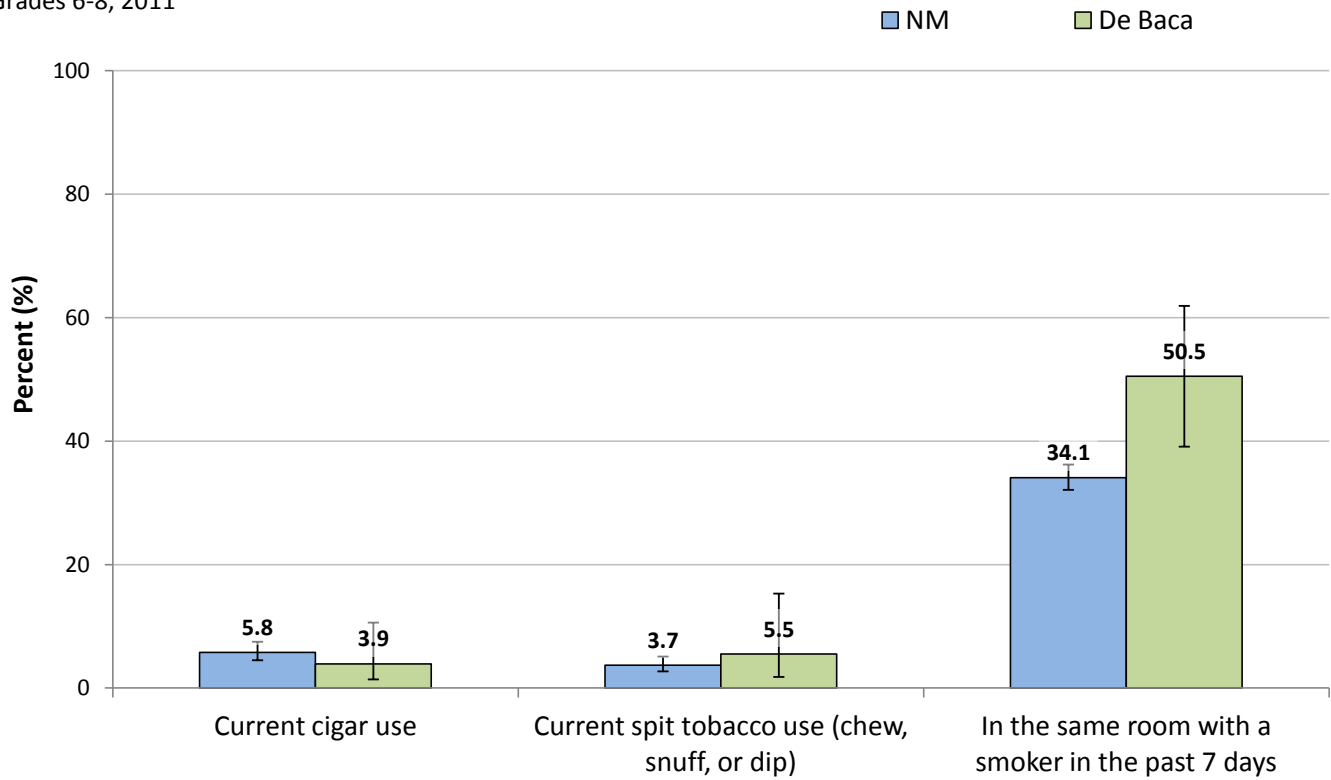


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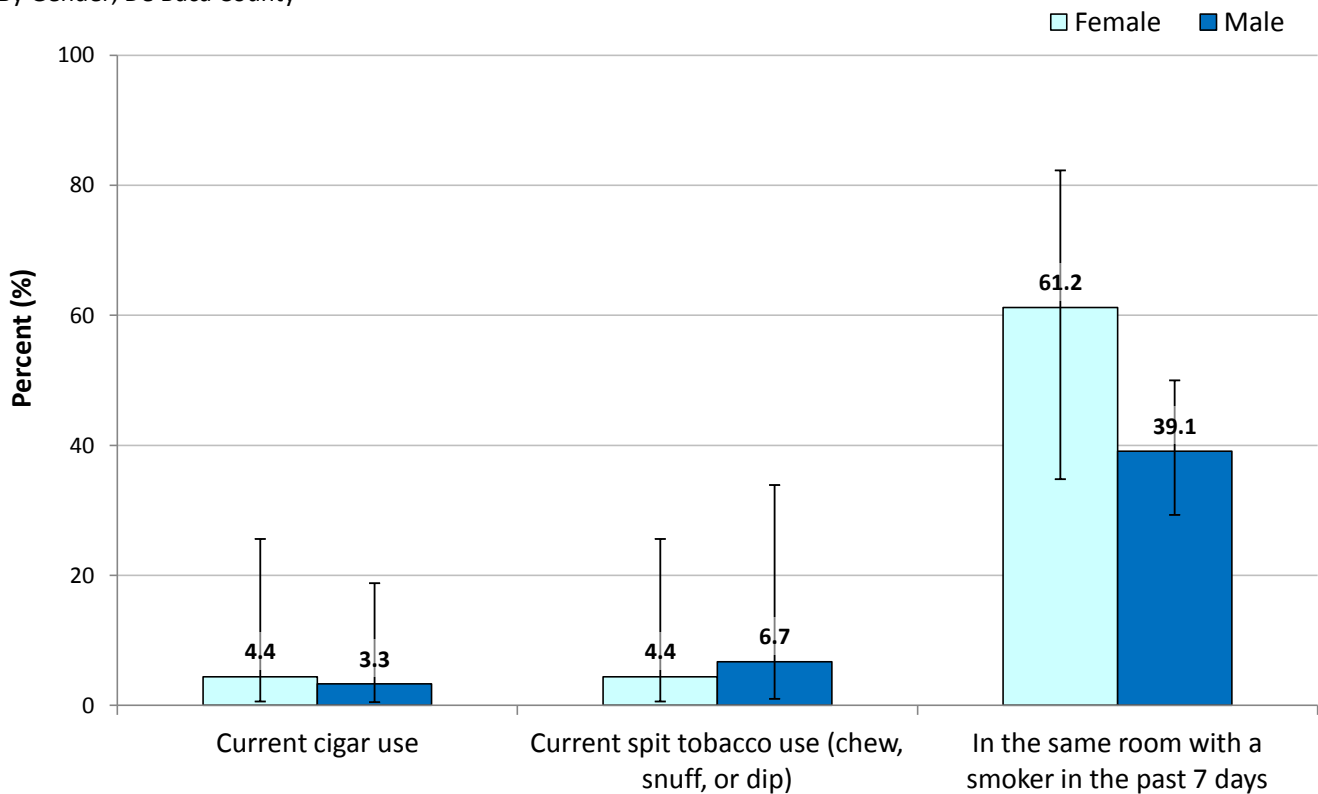


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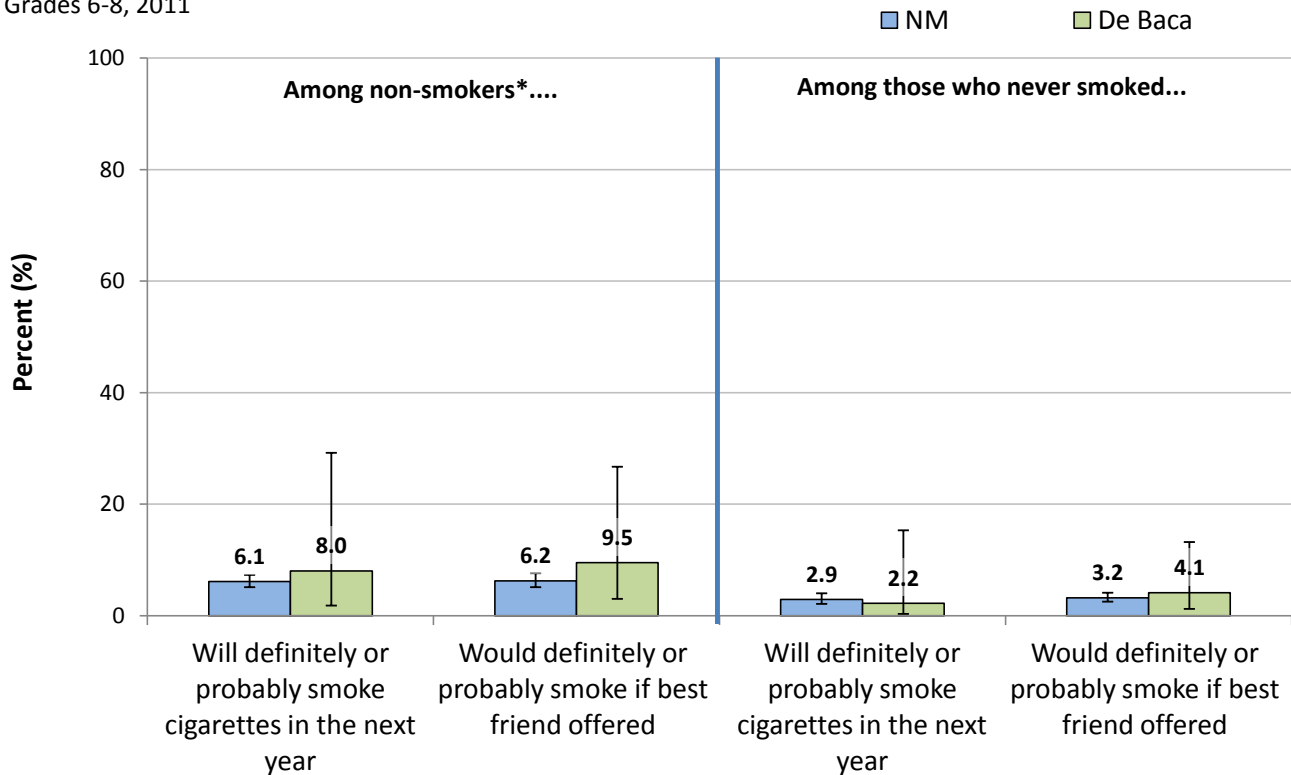
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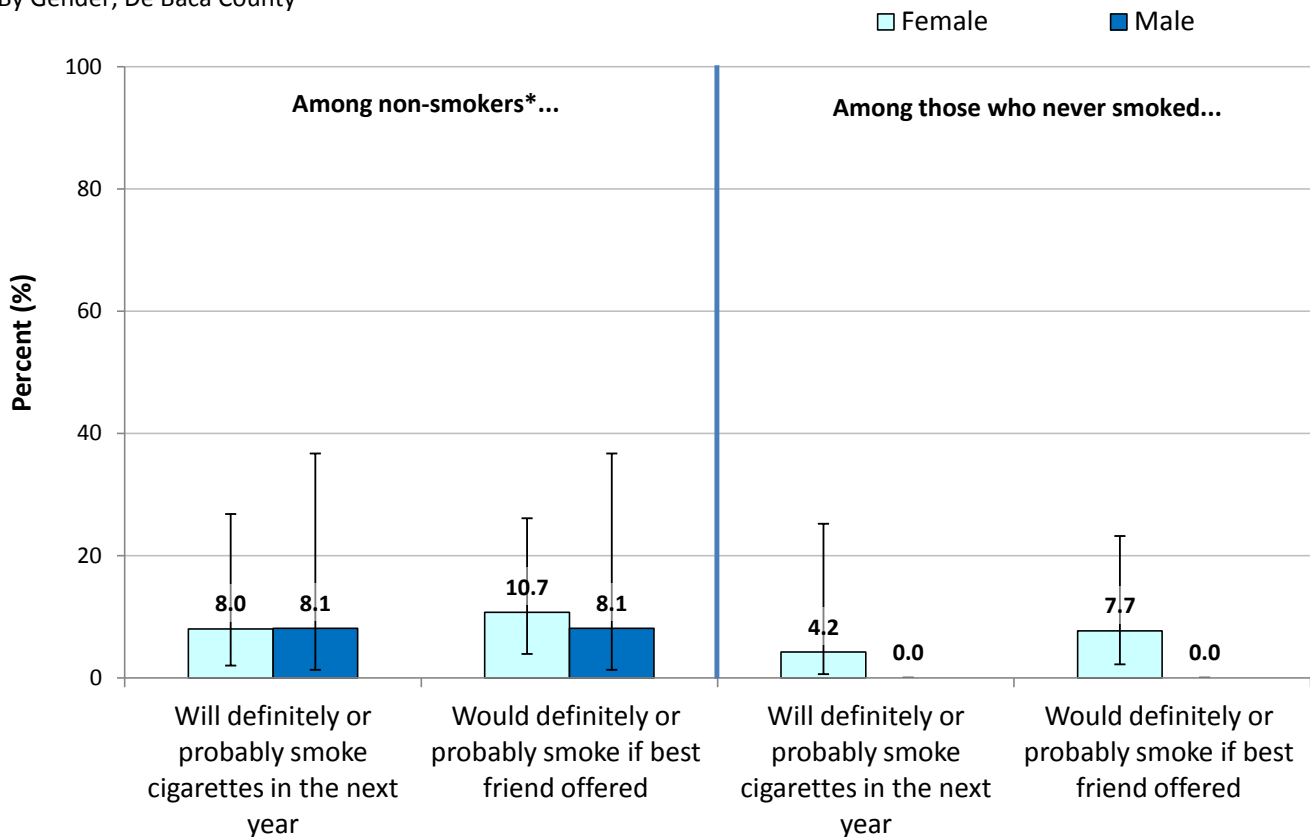
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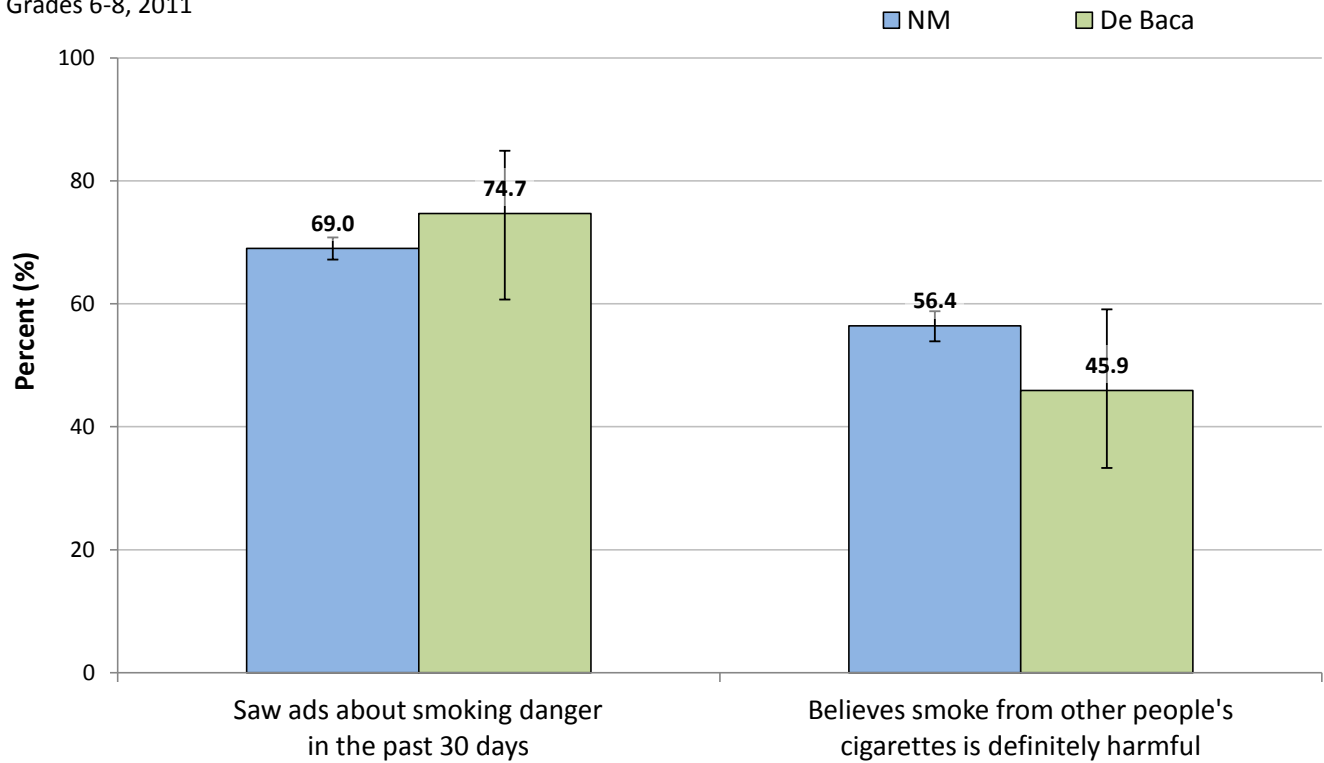


\* **Non-smoker:** did not smoke cigarettes within the past 30 days

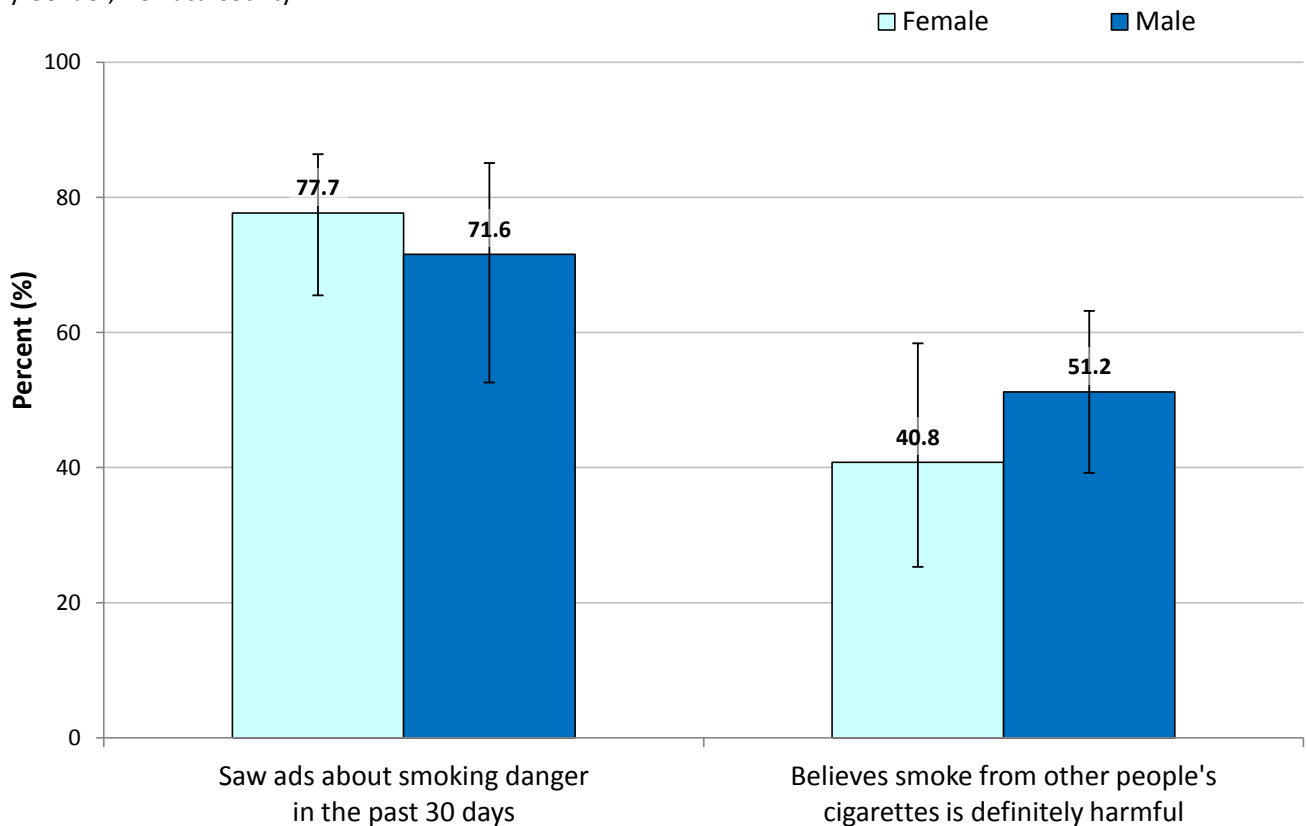
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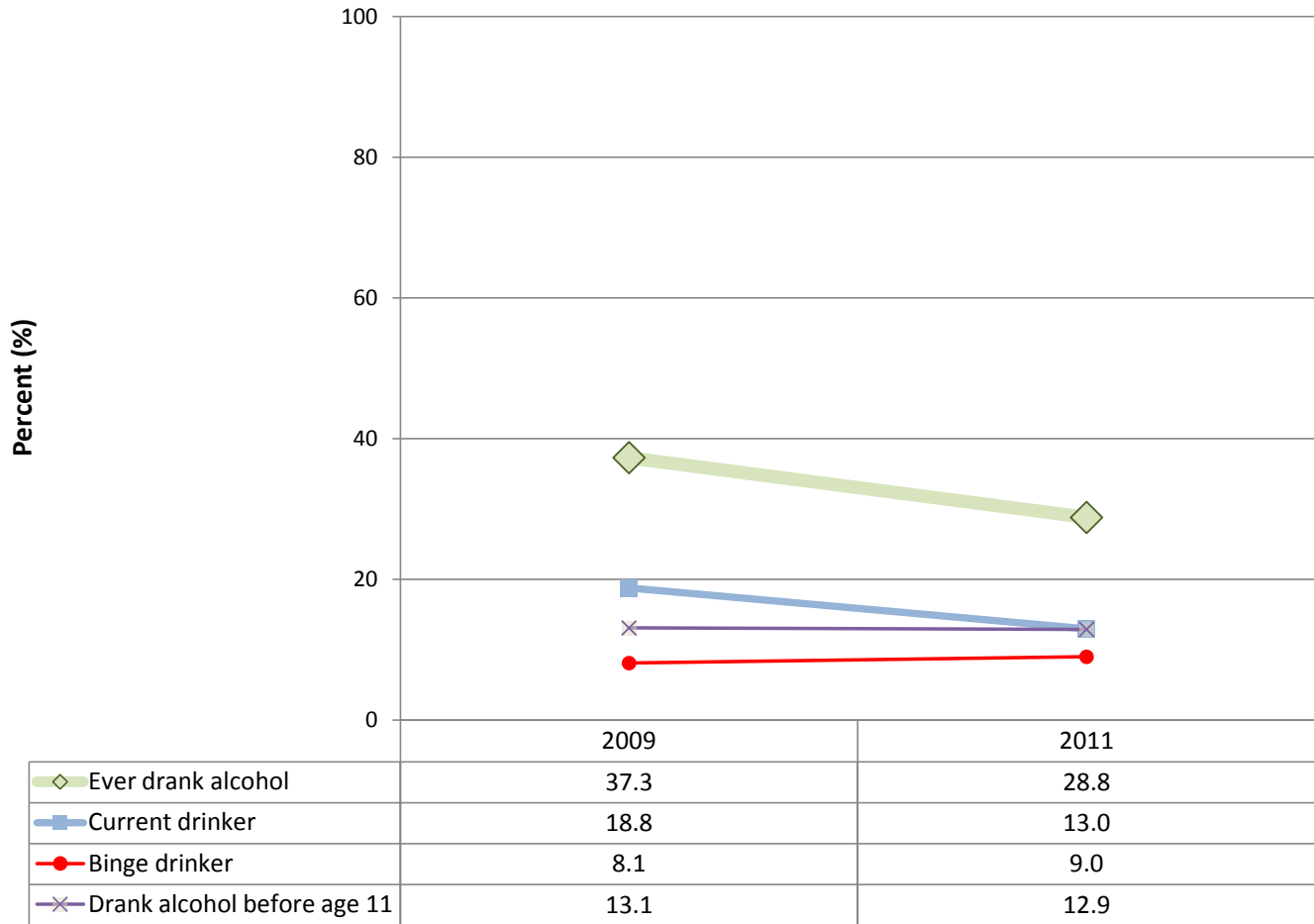


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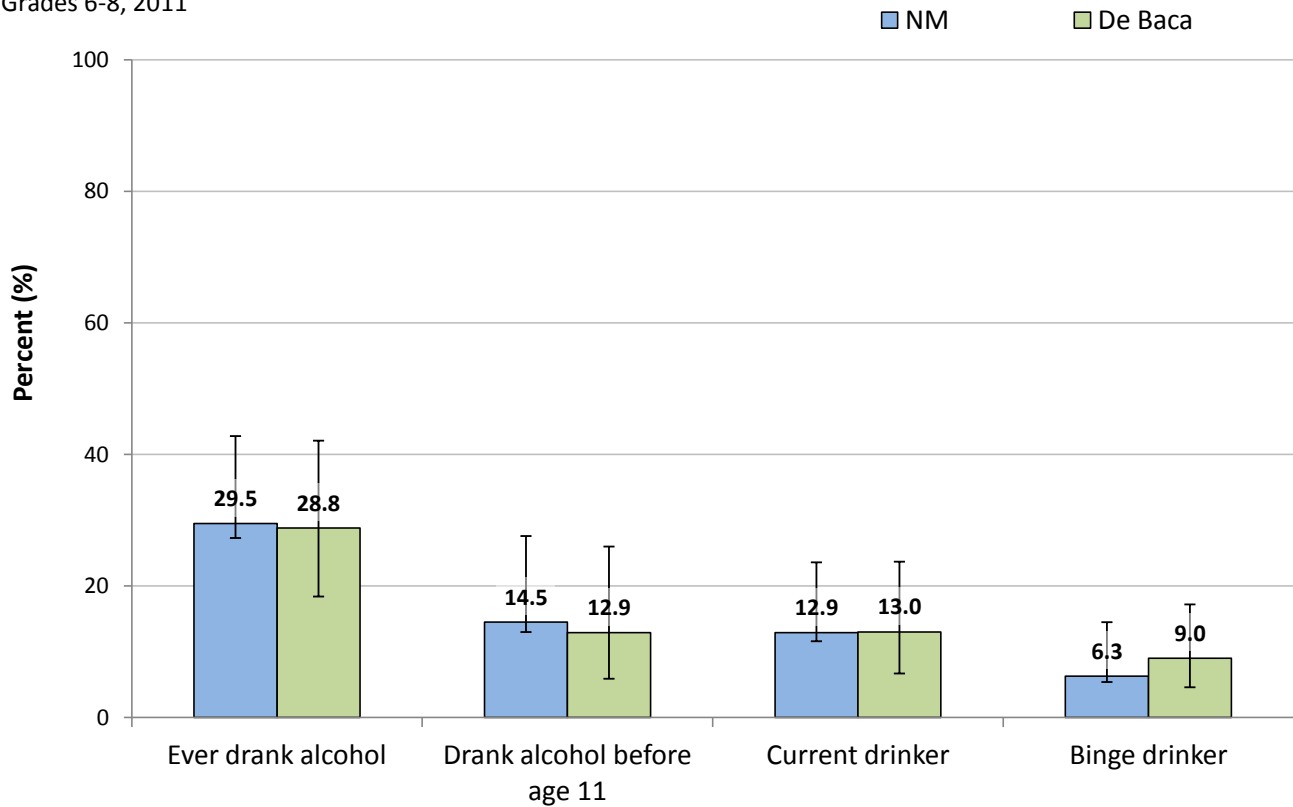
### Alcohol Use

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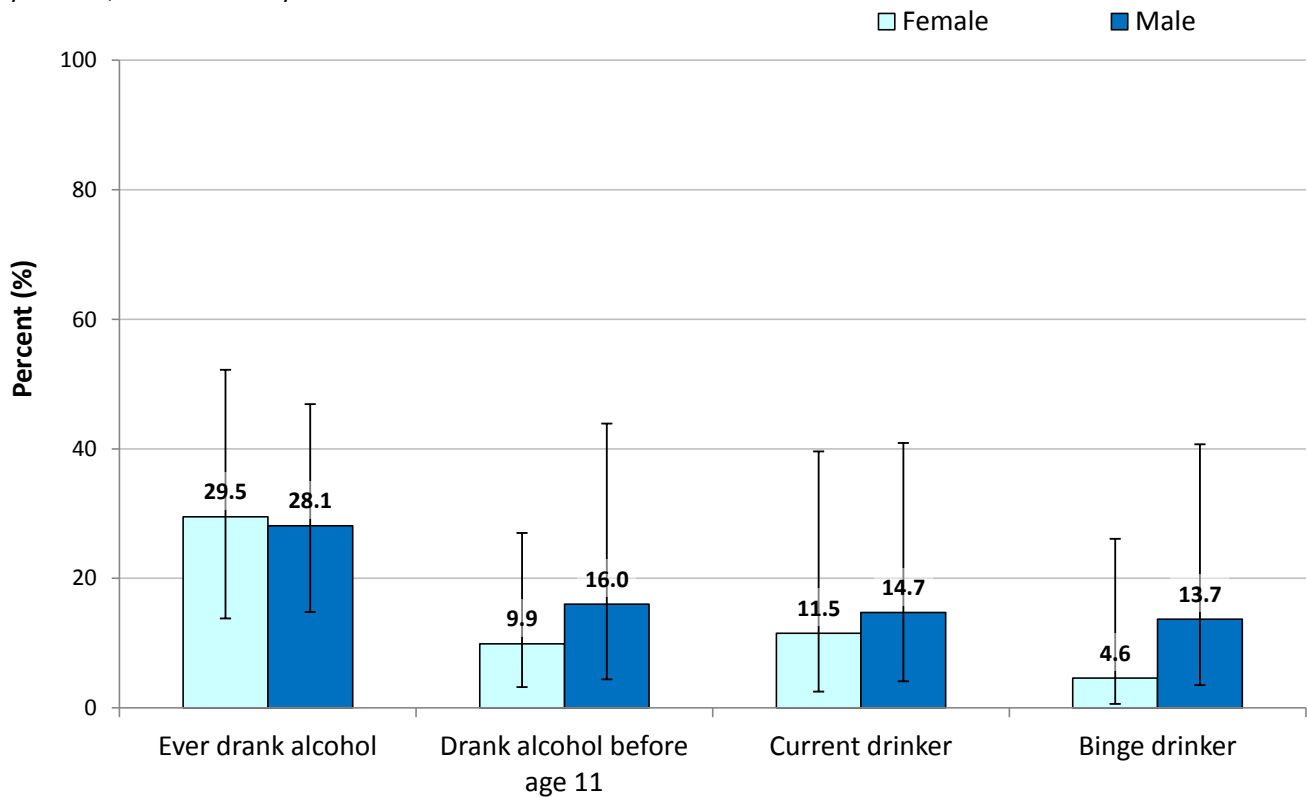


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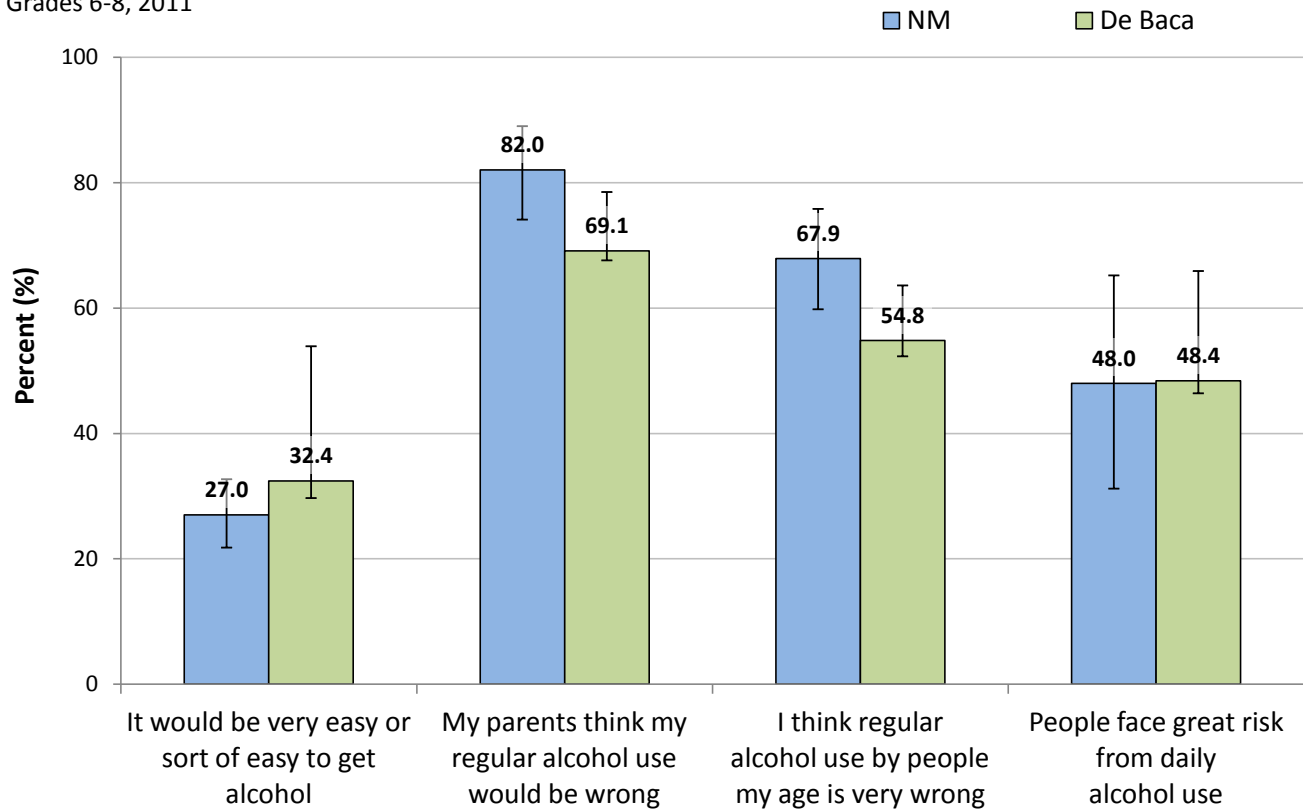
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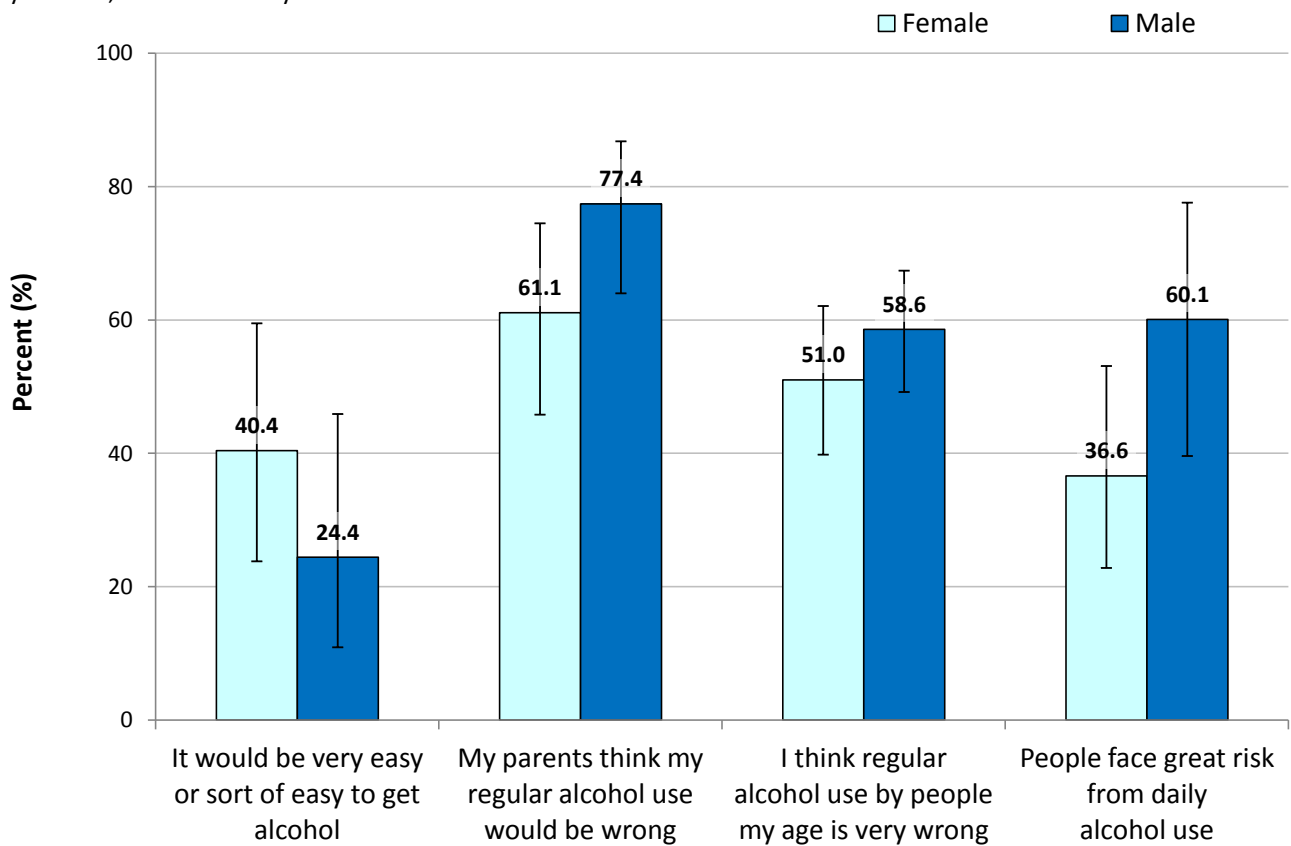
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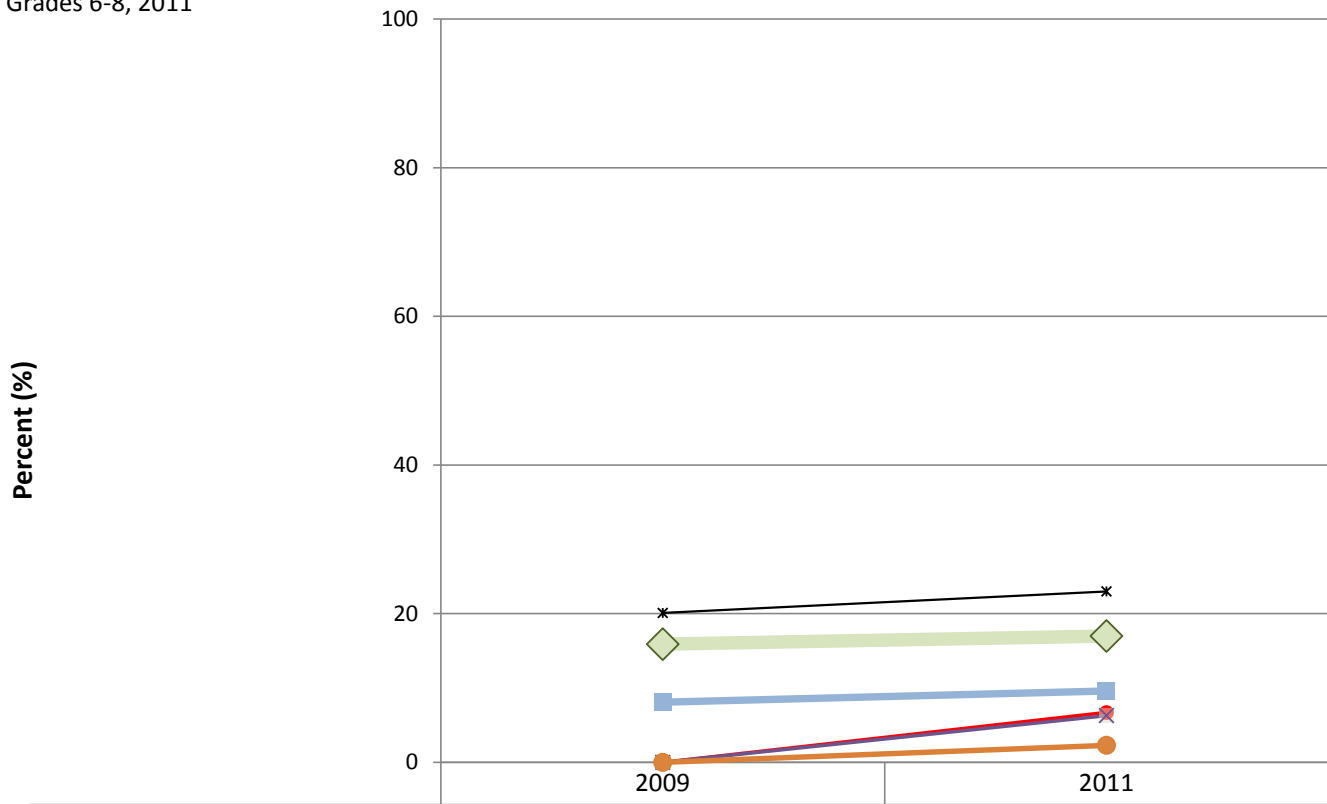






### Drug Use

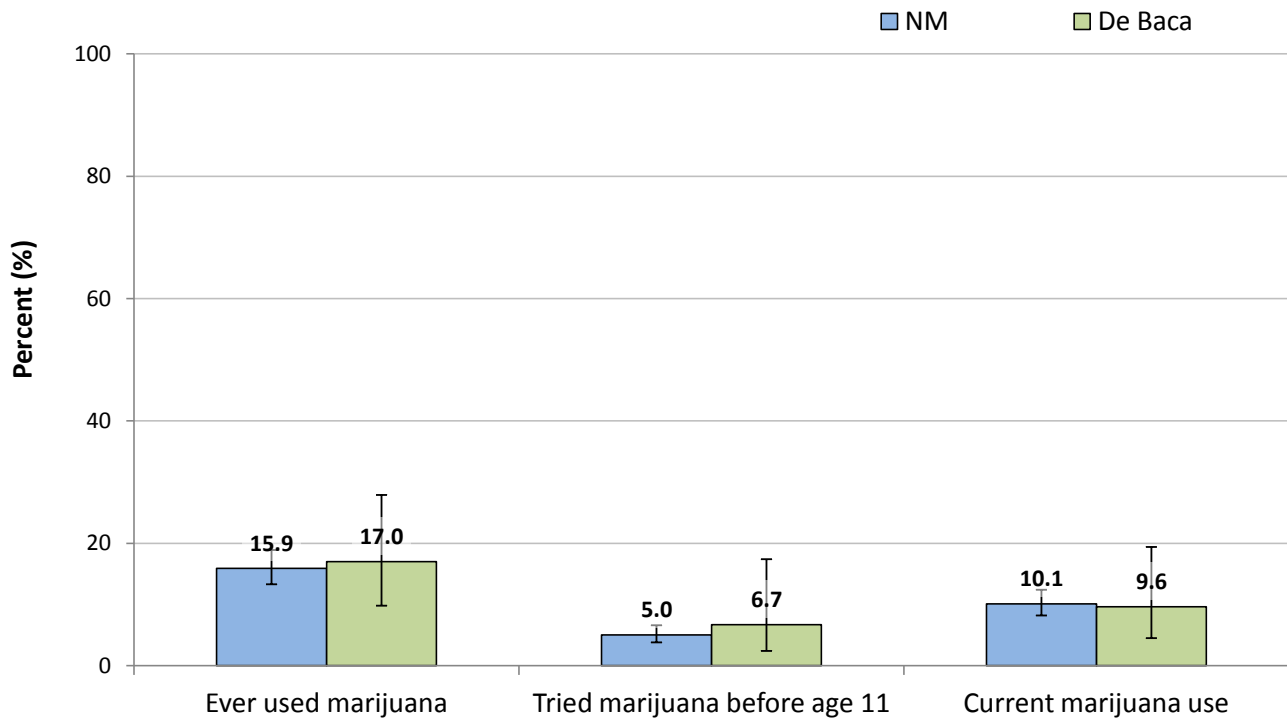
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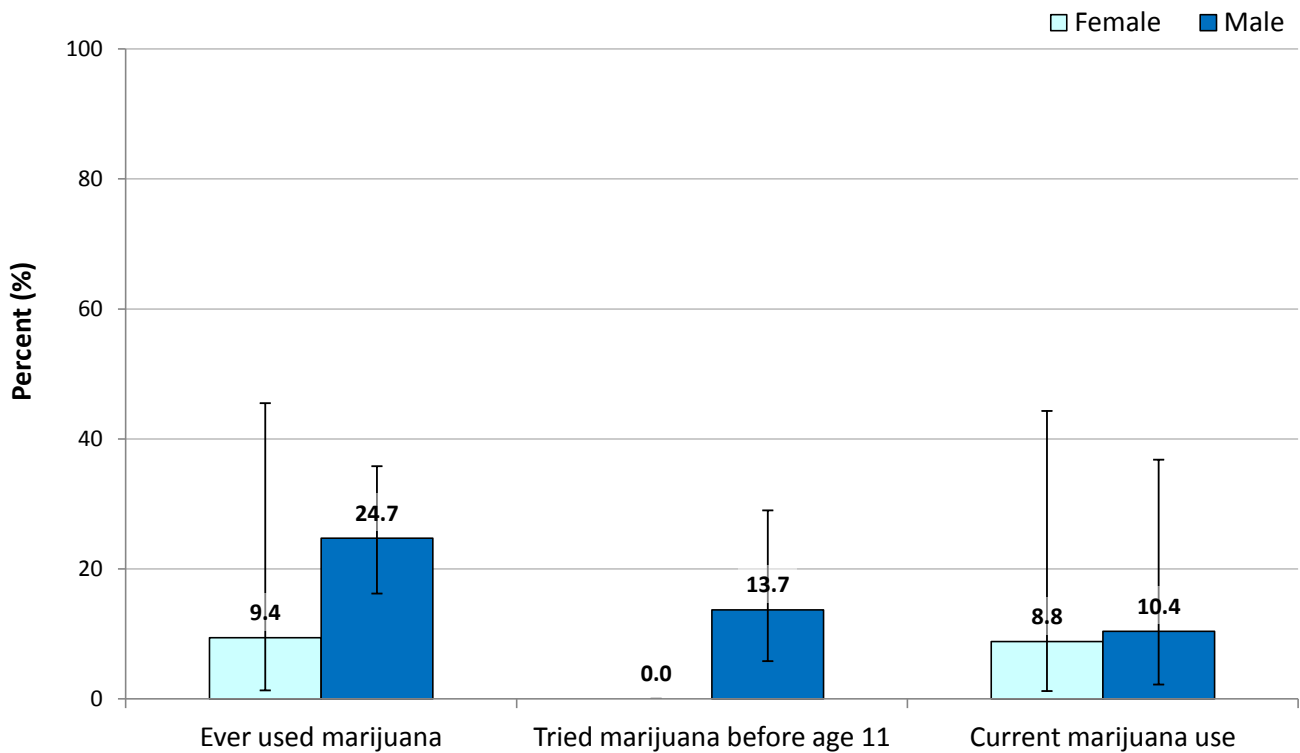
	2009	2011
◇ Ever used marijuana	15.9	17.0
■ Current marijuana use	8.1	9.6
● Tried marijuana before age 11	0.0	6.7
× Lifetime cocaine use	0.0	6.3
* Lifetime inhalant use	20.1	23.0
● Ever used illegal injection drugs	0.0	2.3

**Drug Use: Marijuana**

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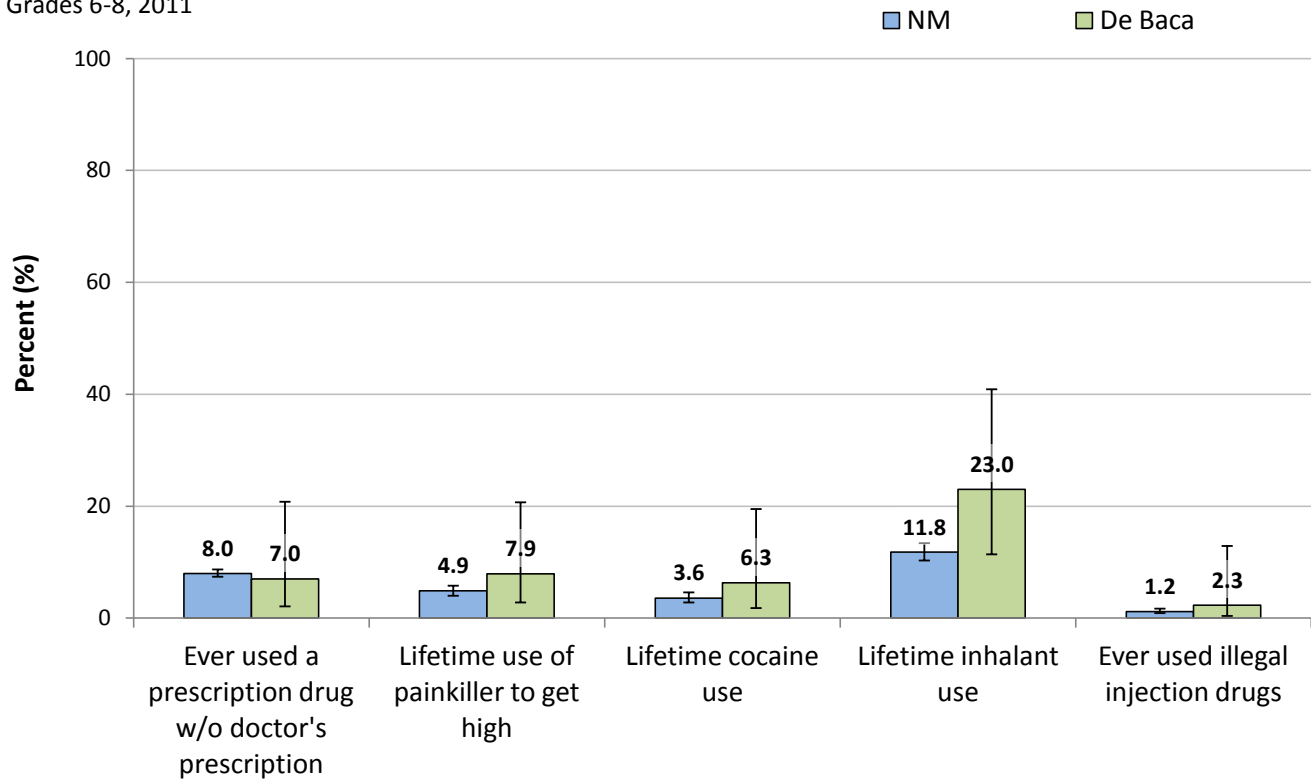


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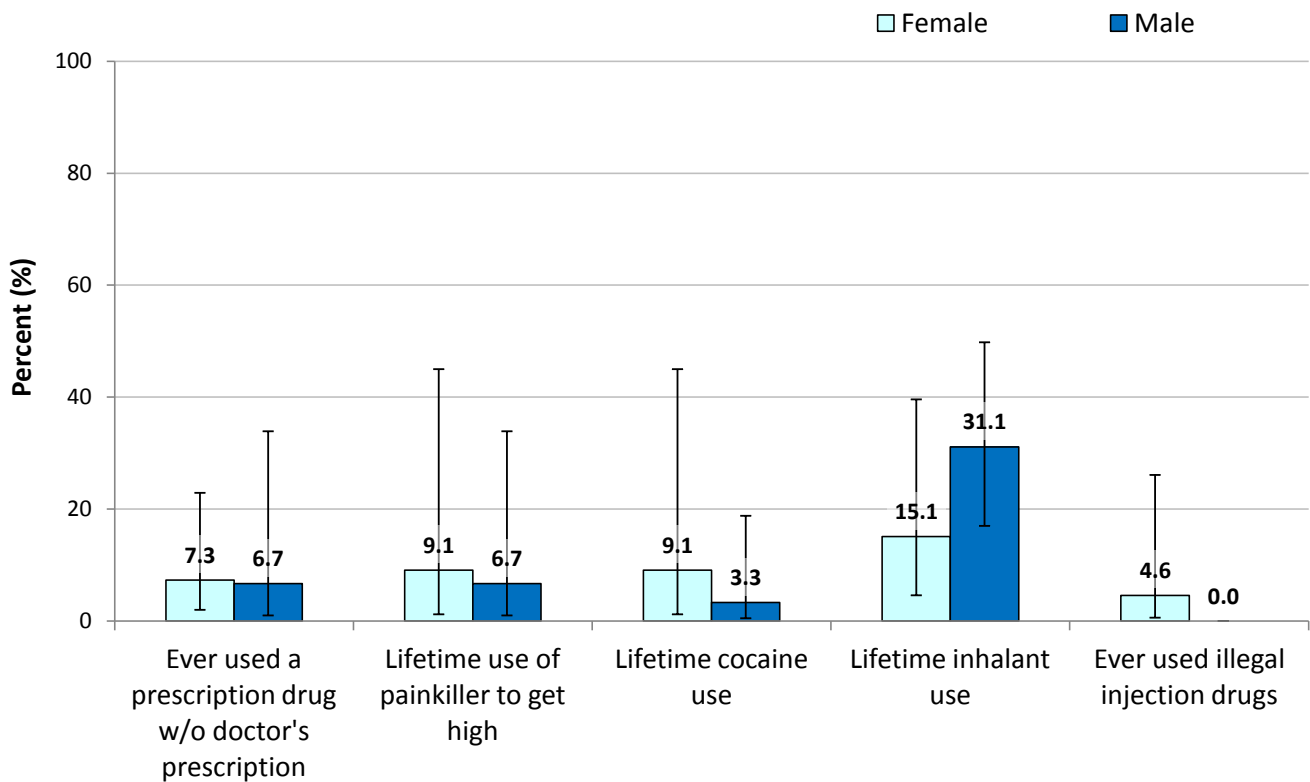


**Other drug use**

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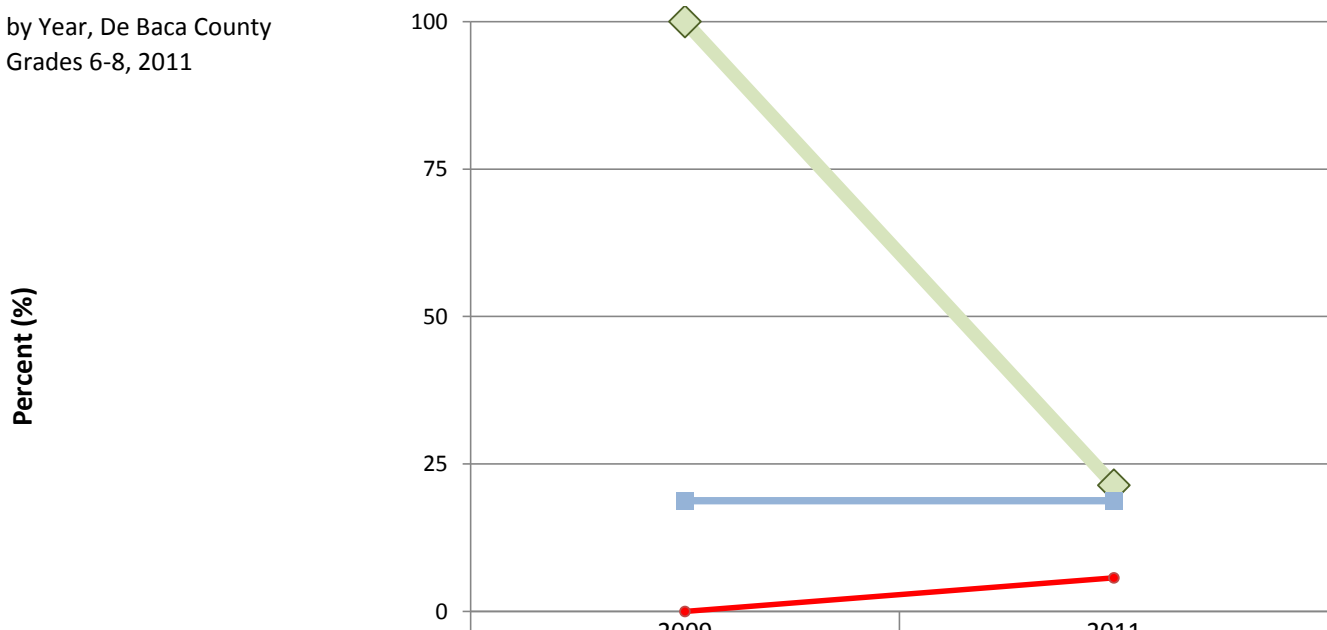
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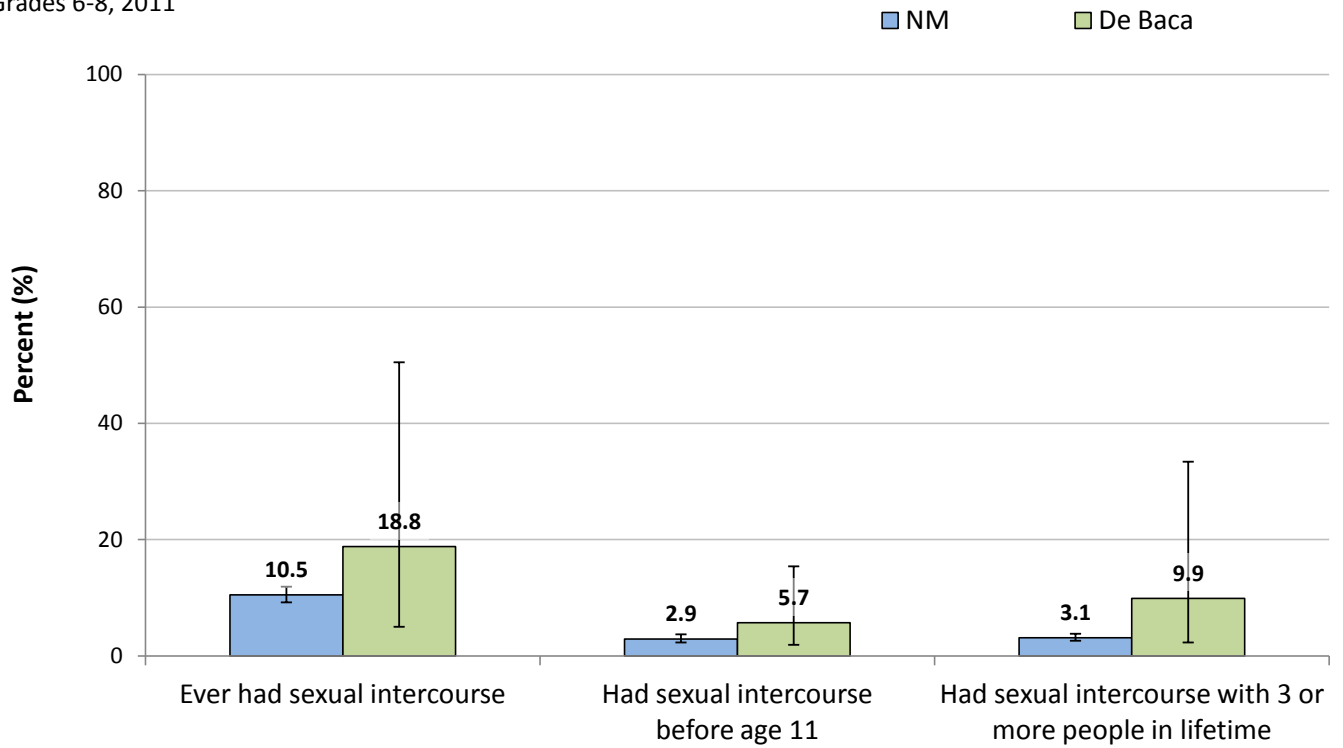
Sexual Behaviors Indicators  
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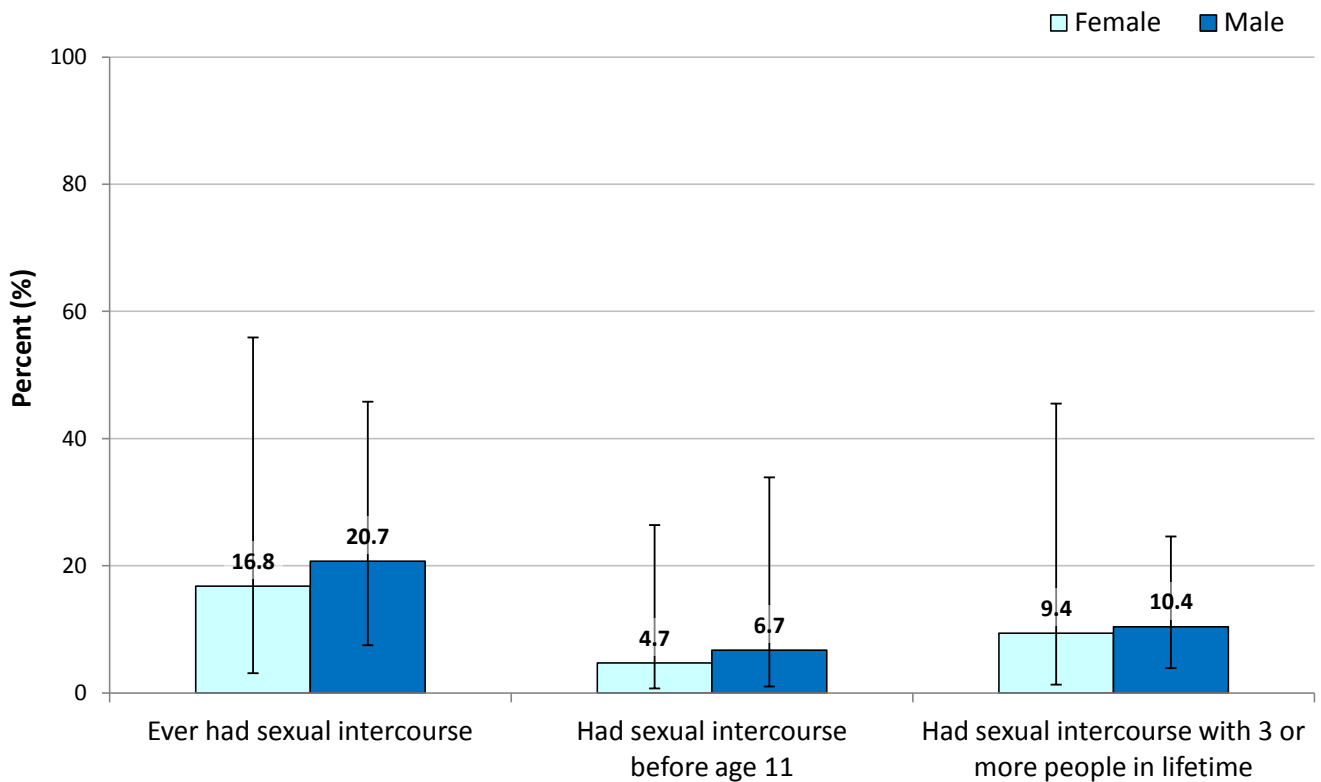
	2009	2011
◆ Used condom at last sex, of those who ever had sex	100.0	21.4
■ Ever had sexual intercourse	18.8	18.8
● Had sexual intercourse before age 11	0.0	5.7

**Sexual behaviors**

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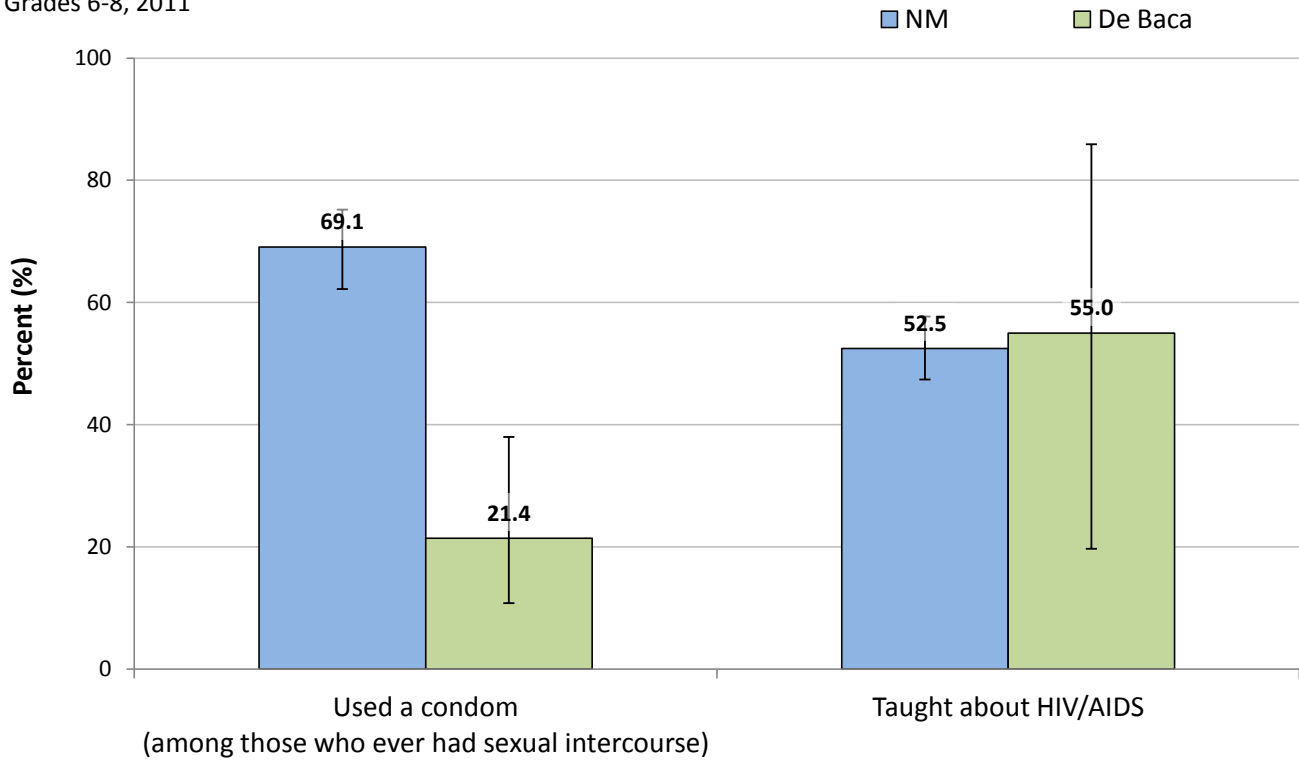


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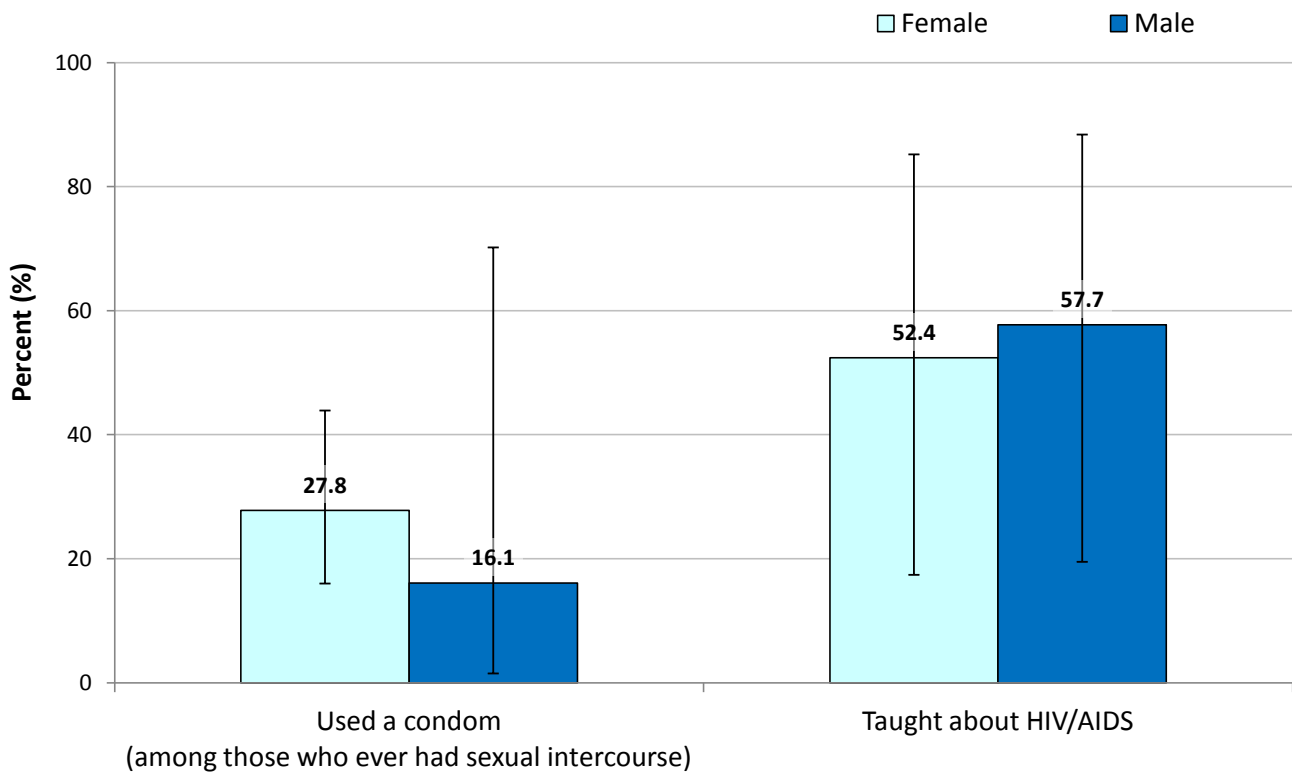


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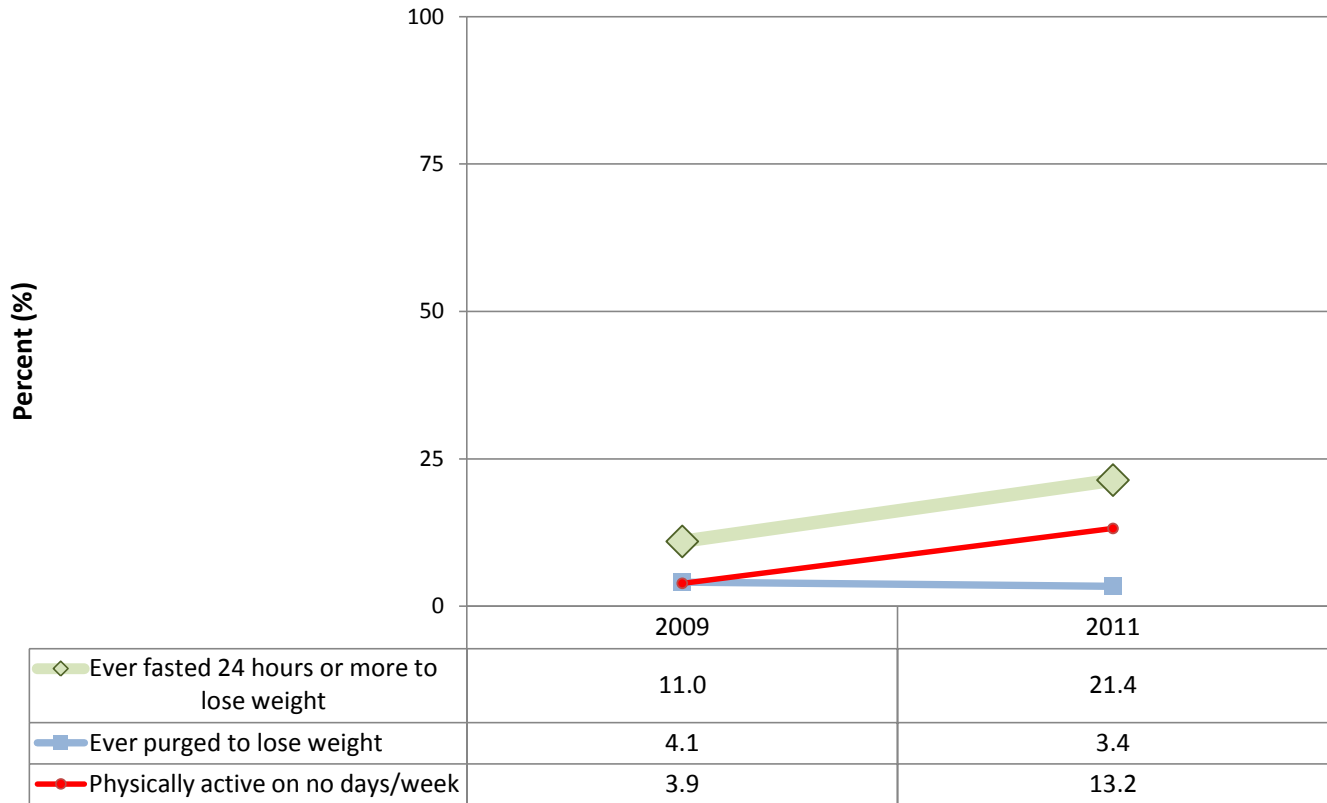






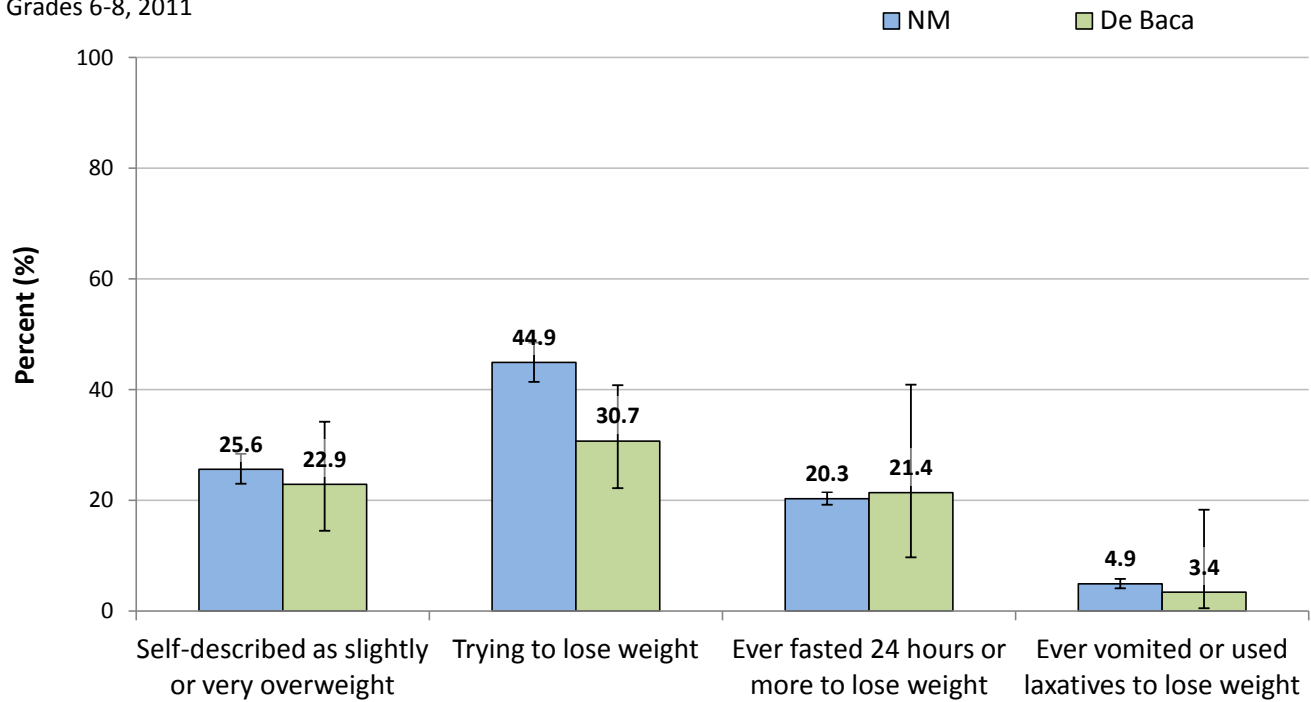
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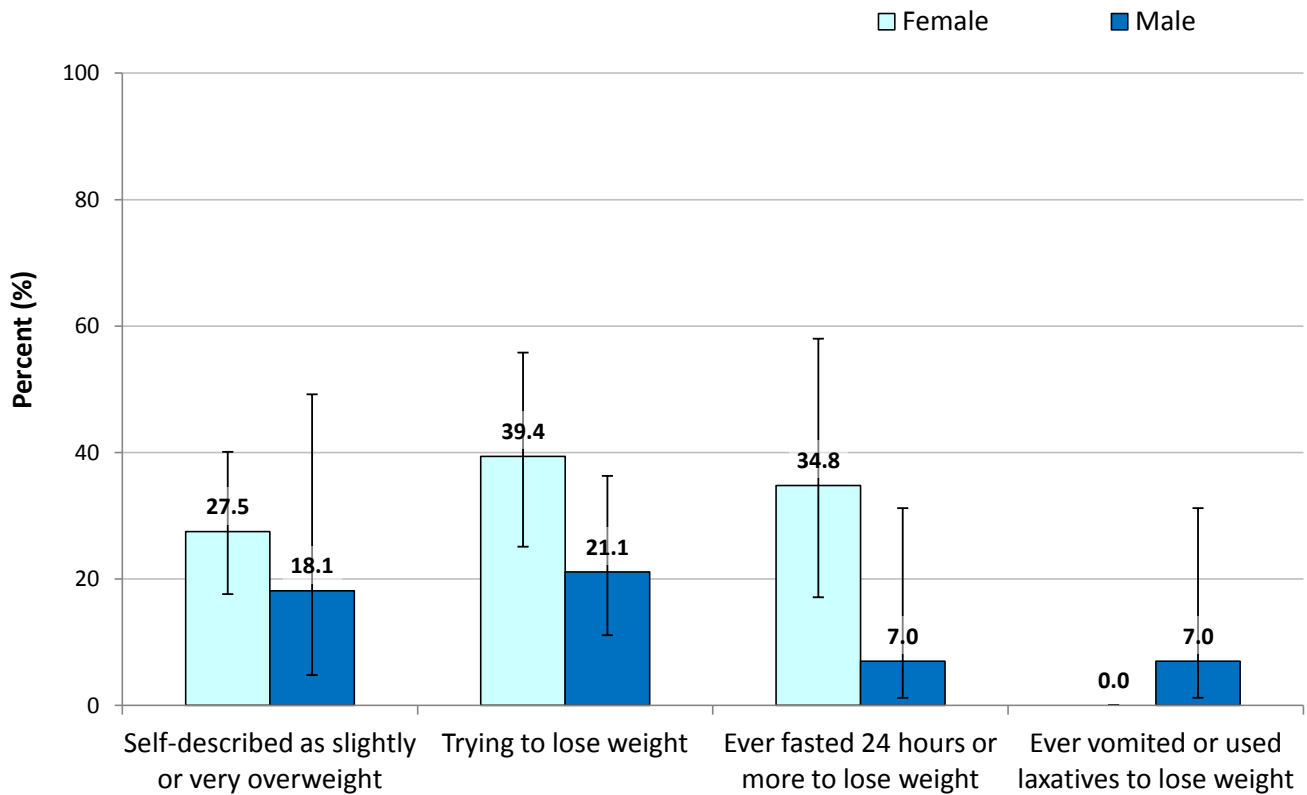


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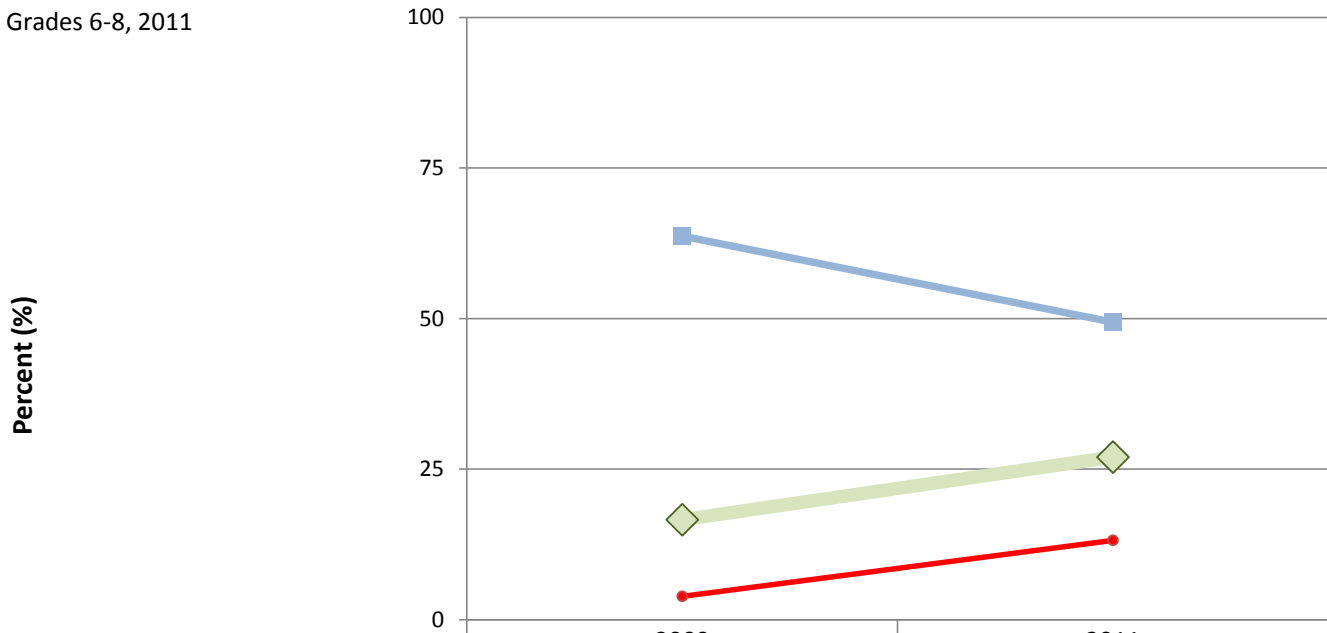


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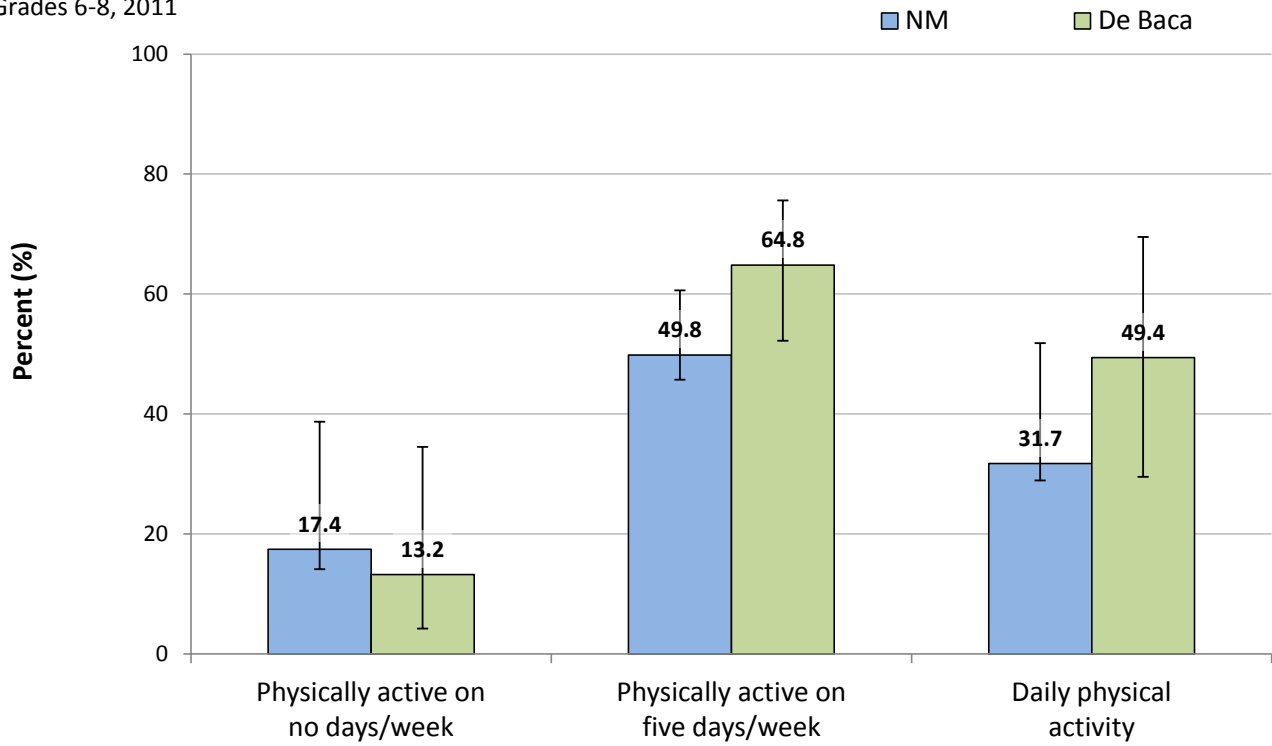


	2009	2011
◆ Watches TV three or more hours per day	16.6	27.0
■ Physically active every day of the week	63.7	49.4
● Physically active on no days/week	3.9	13.2

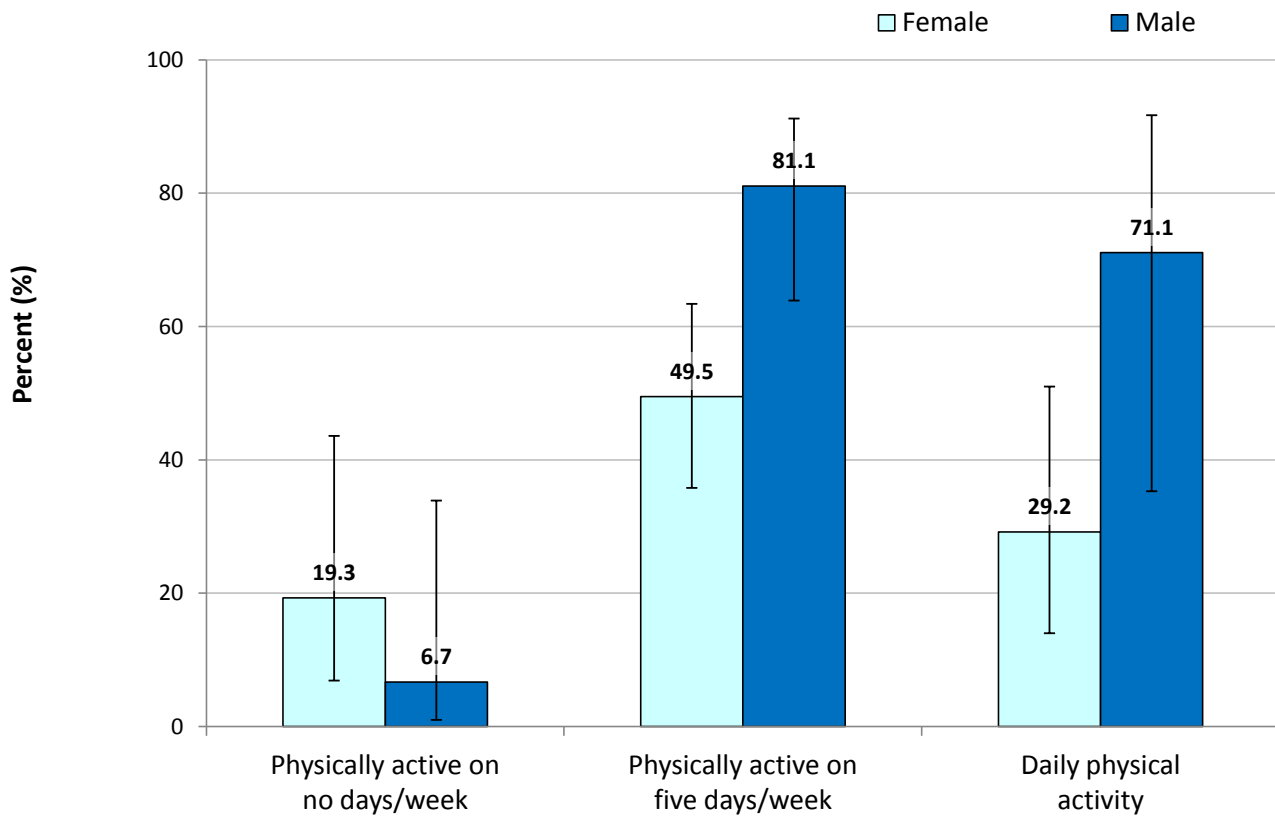
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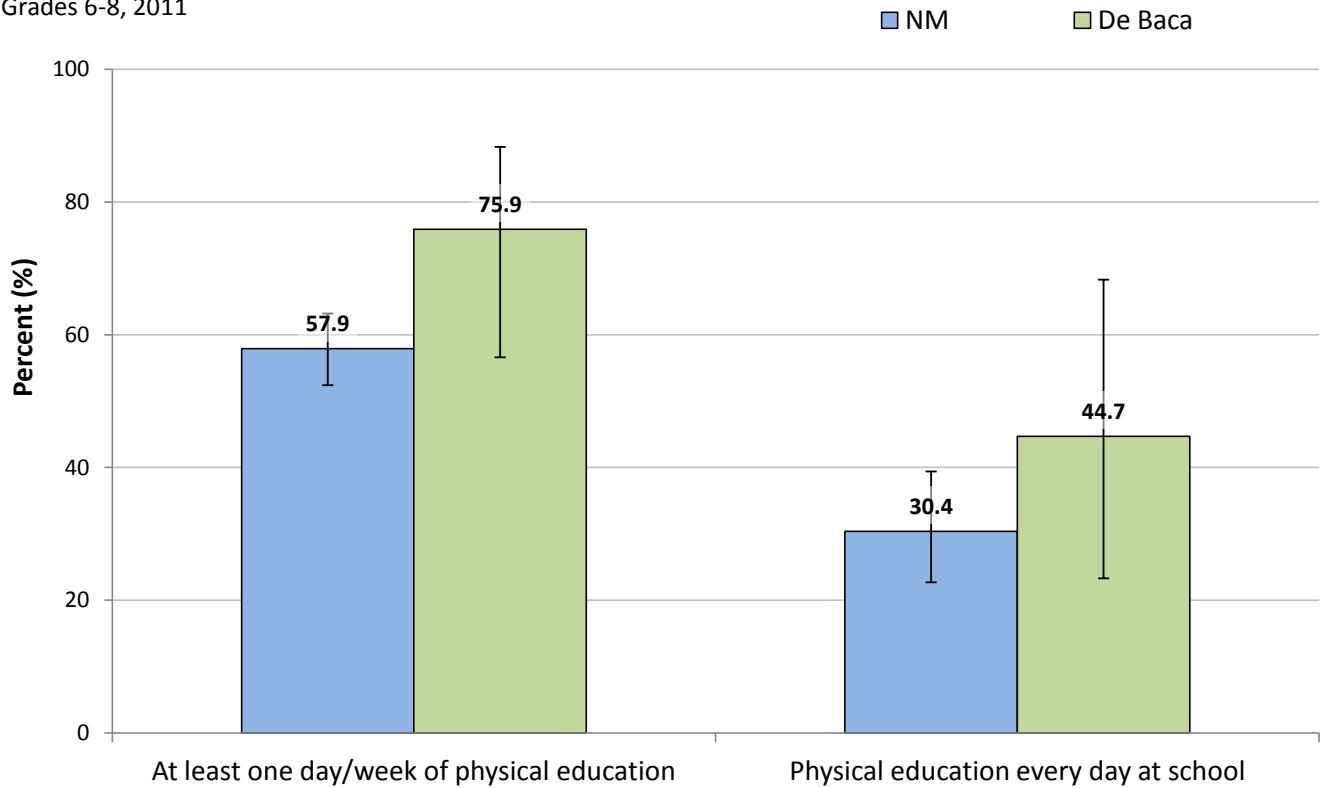


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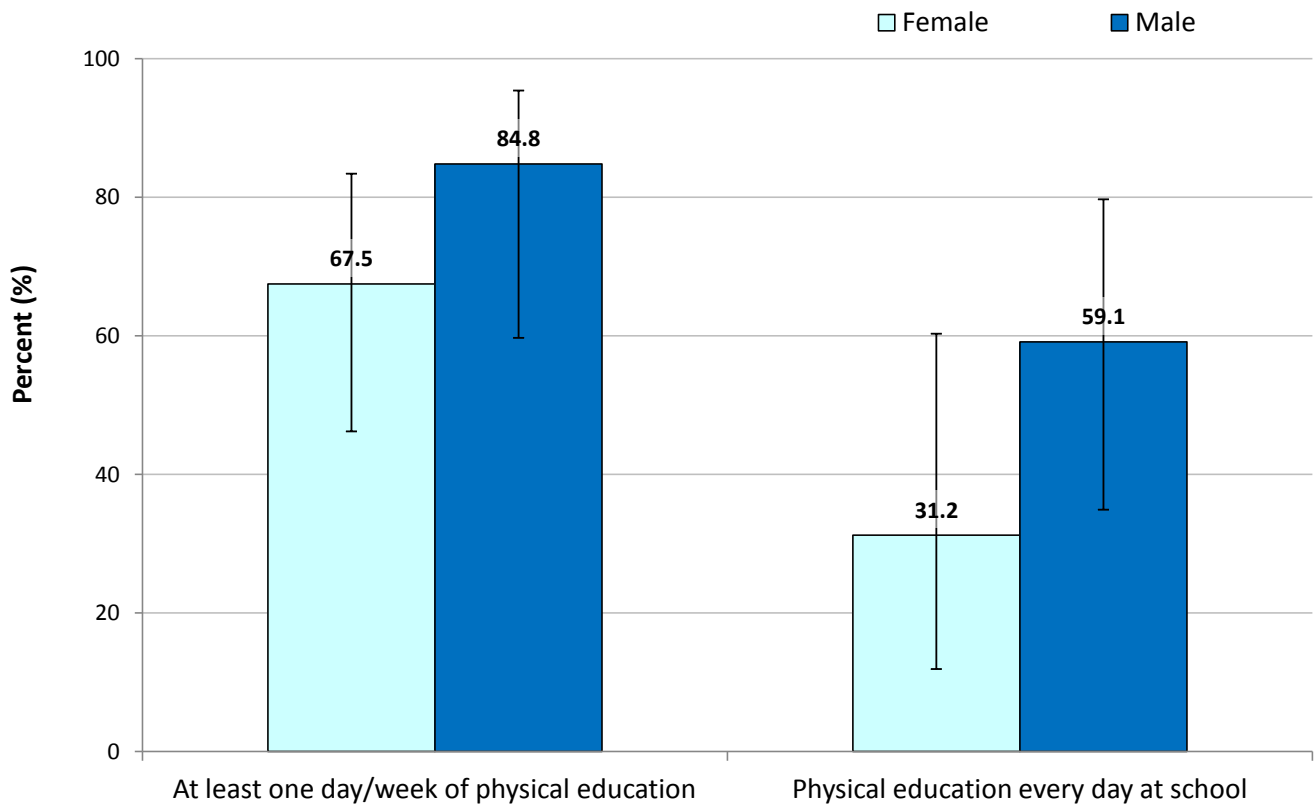


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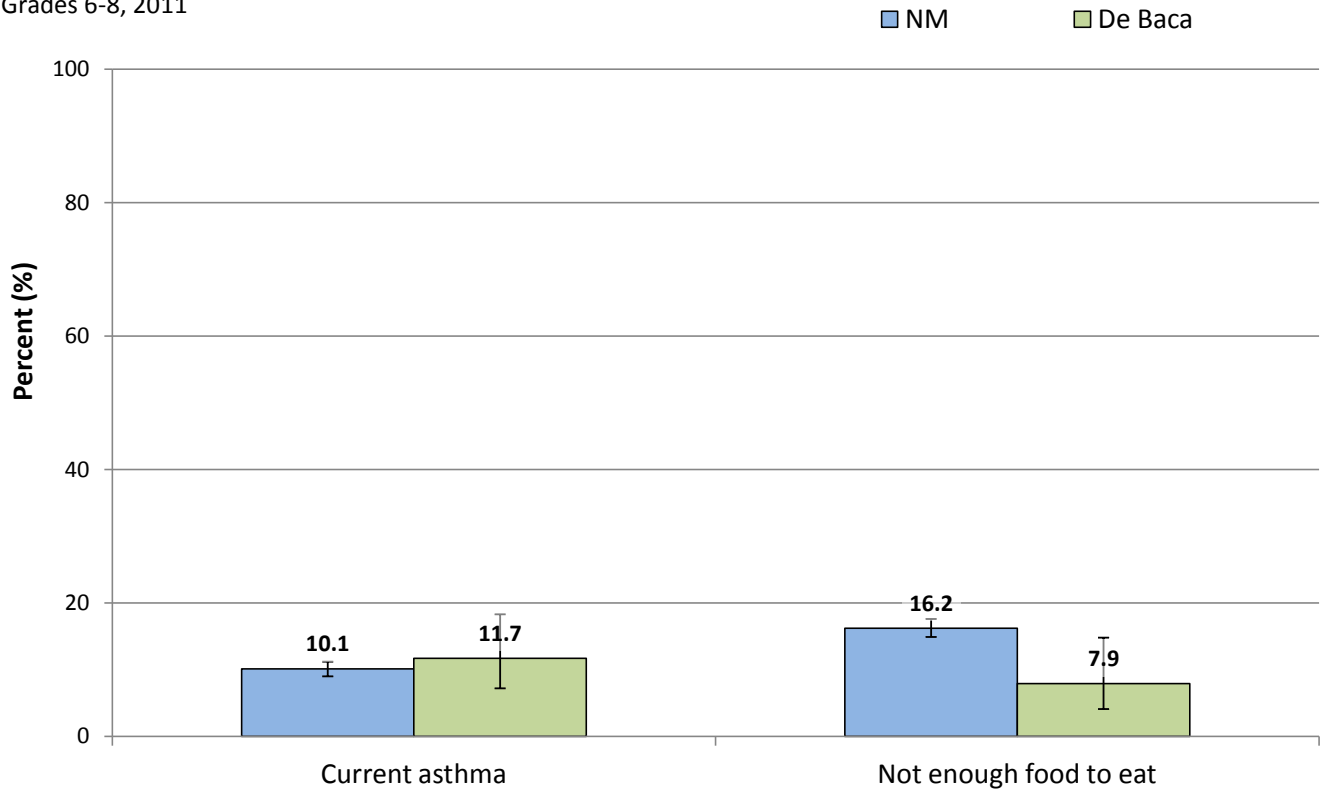


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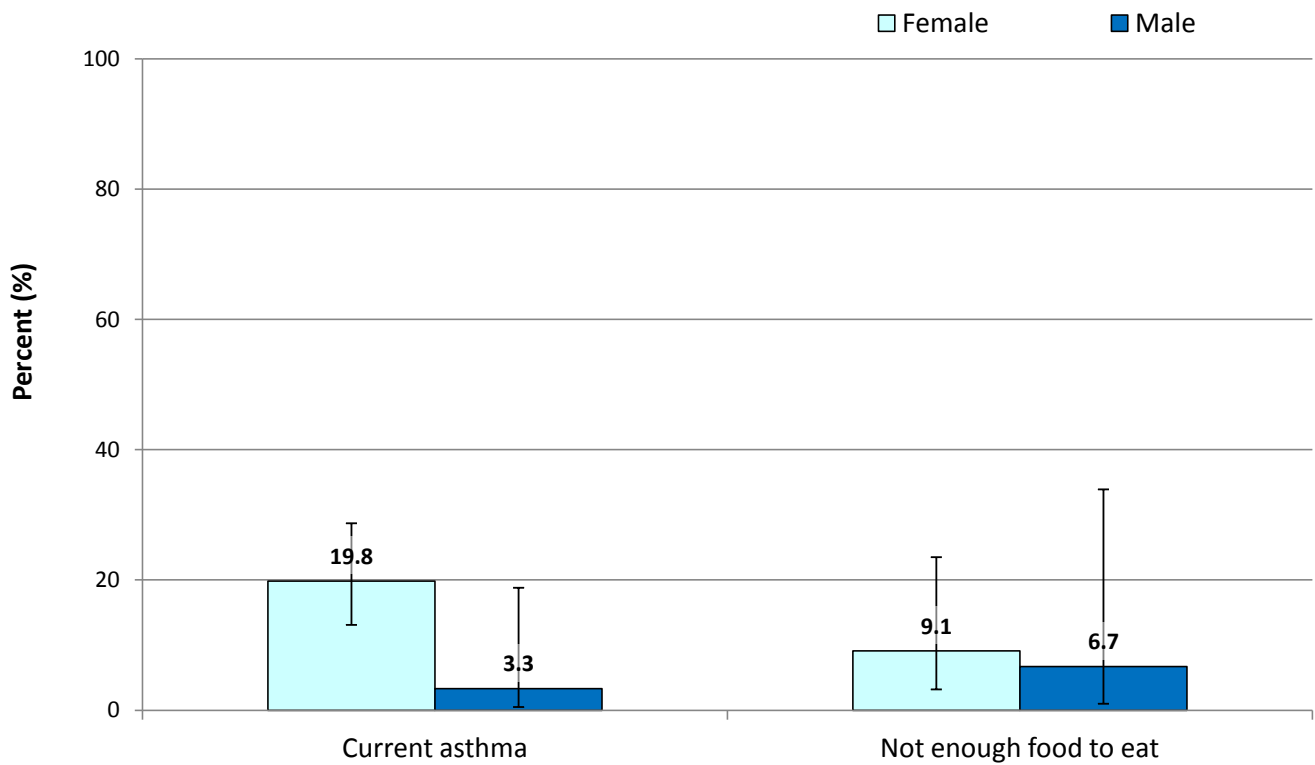


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## Resiliency/Protective Factors and Academic Measures

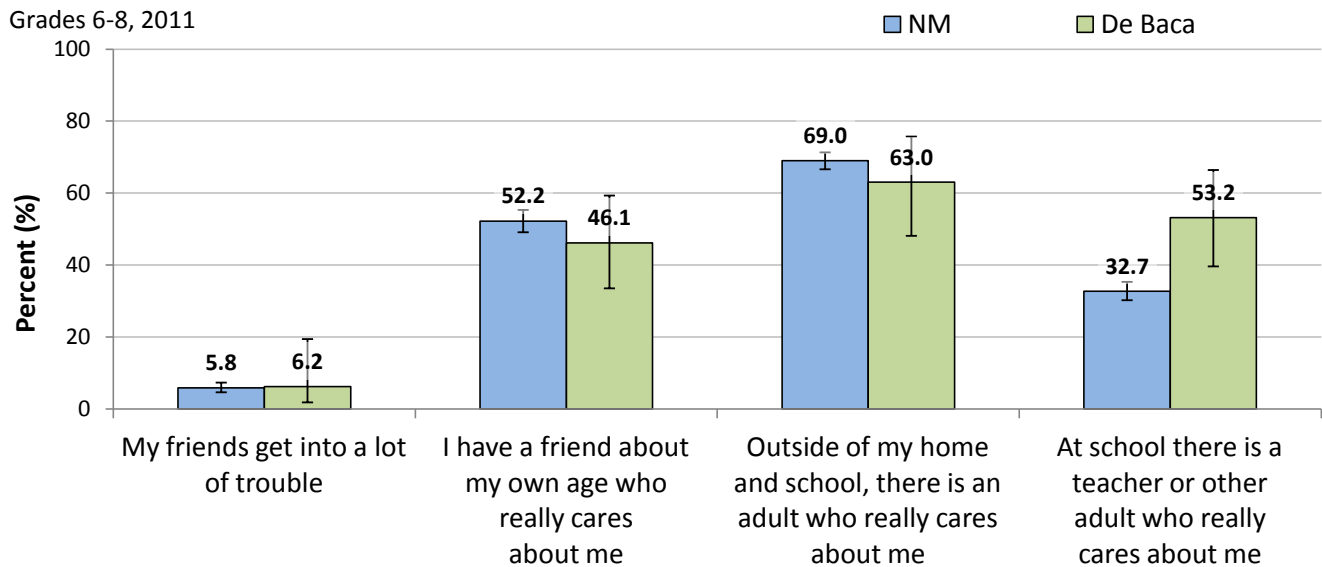




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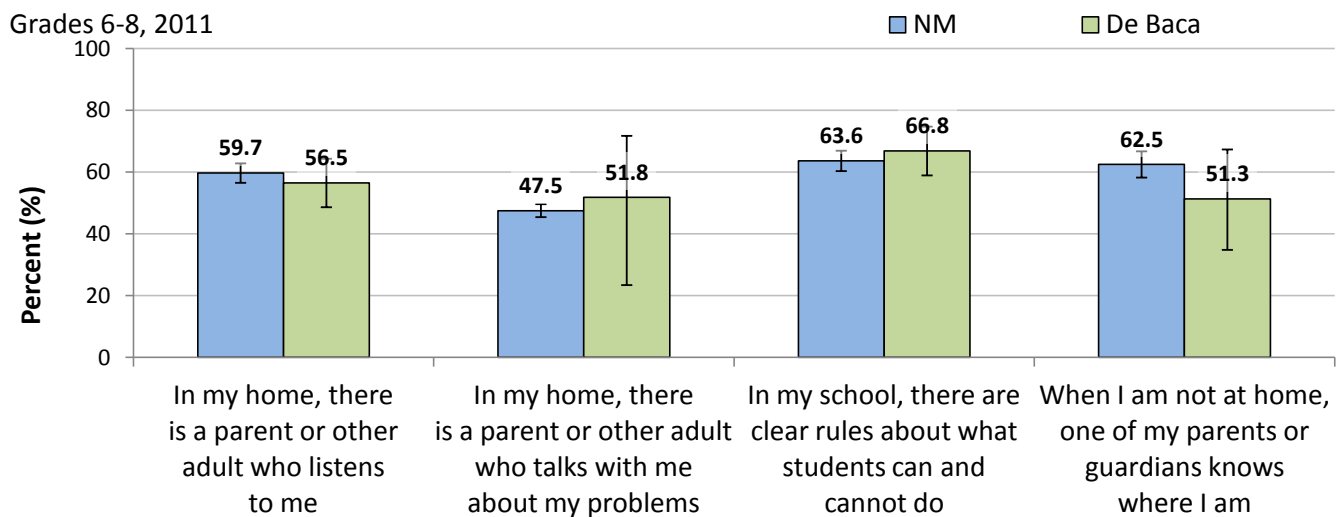
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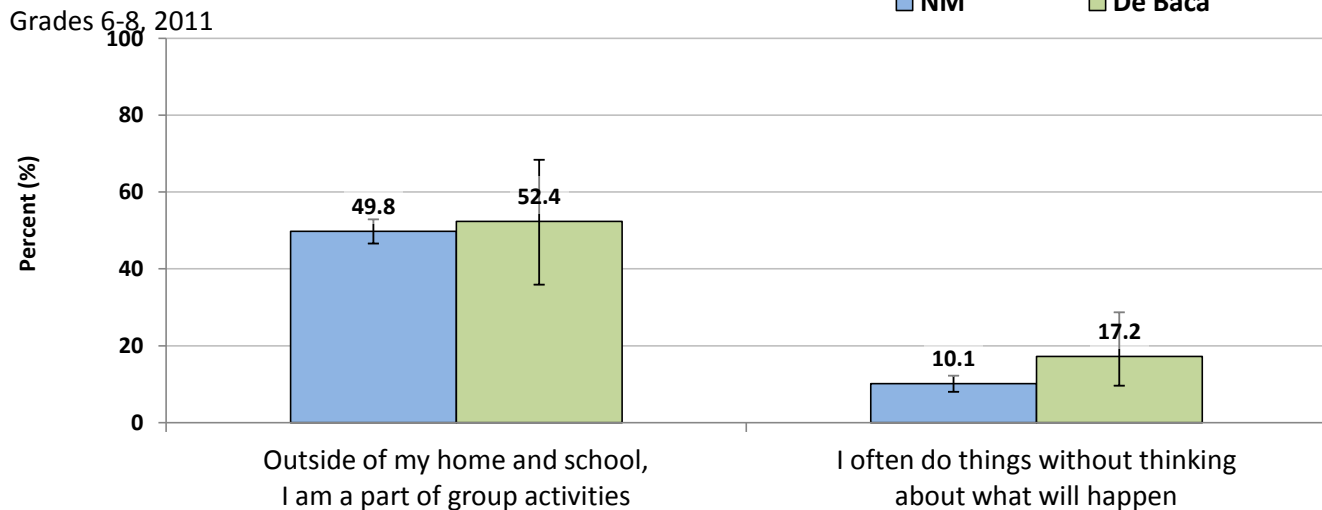
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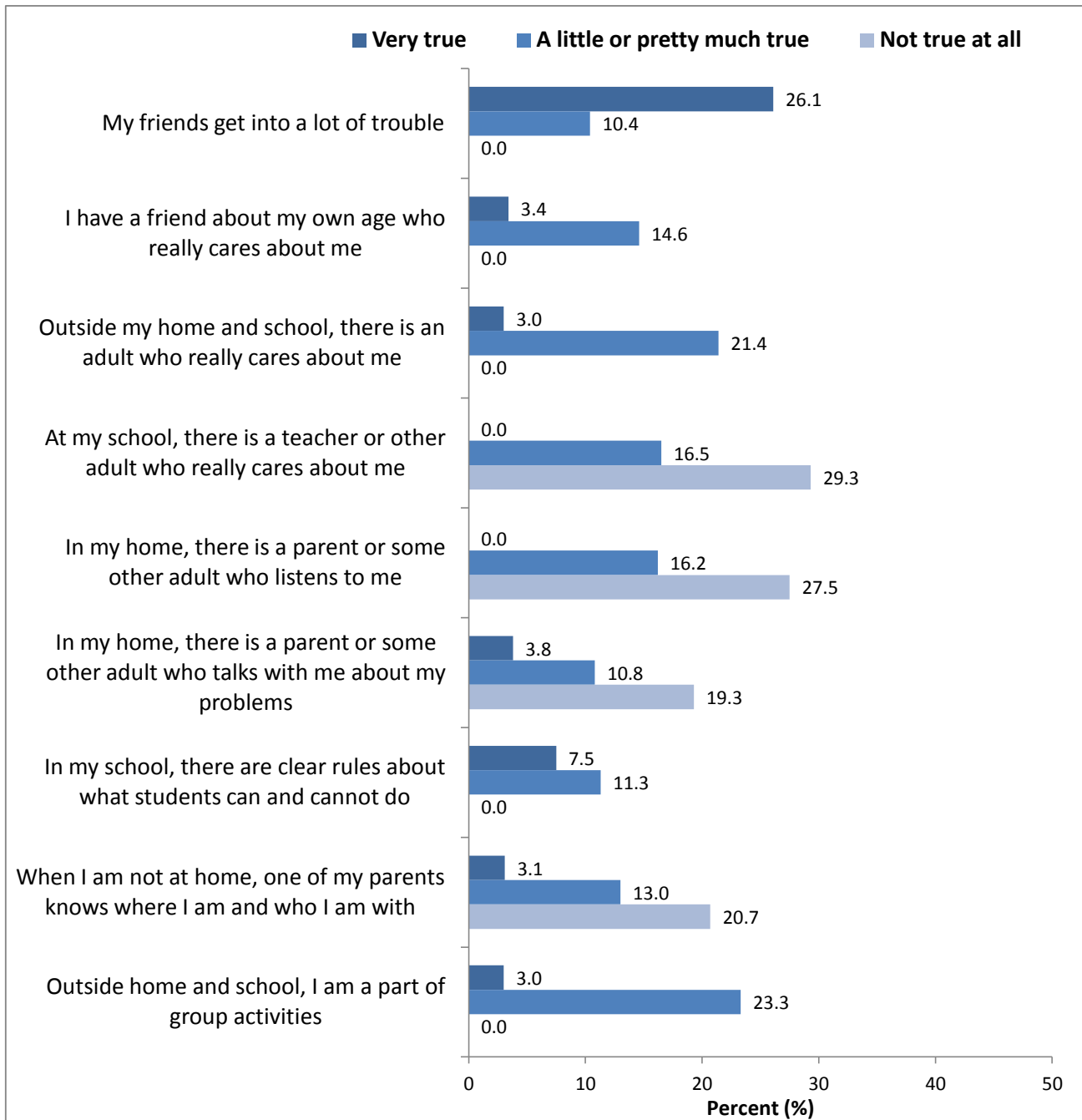
## Relationship Between Selected Risk Behaviors and Resiliency/Protective Factors

**Rarely or never wore a seatbelt**

by Selected Resiliency Factors

De Baca County

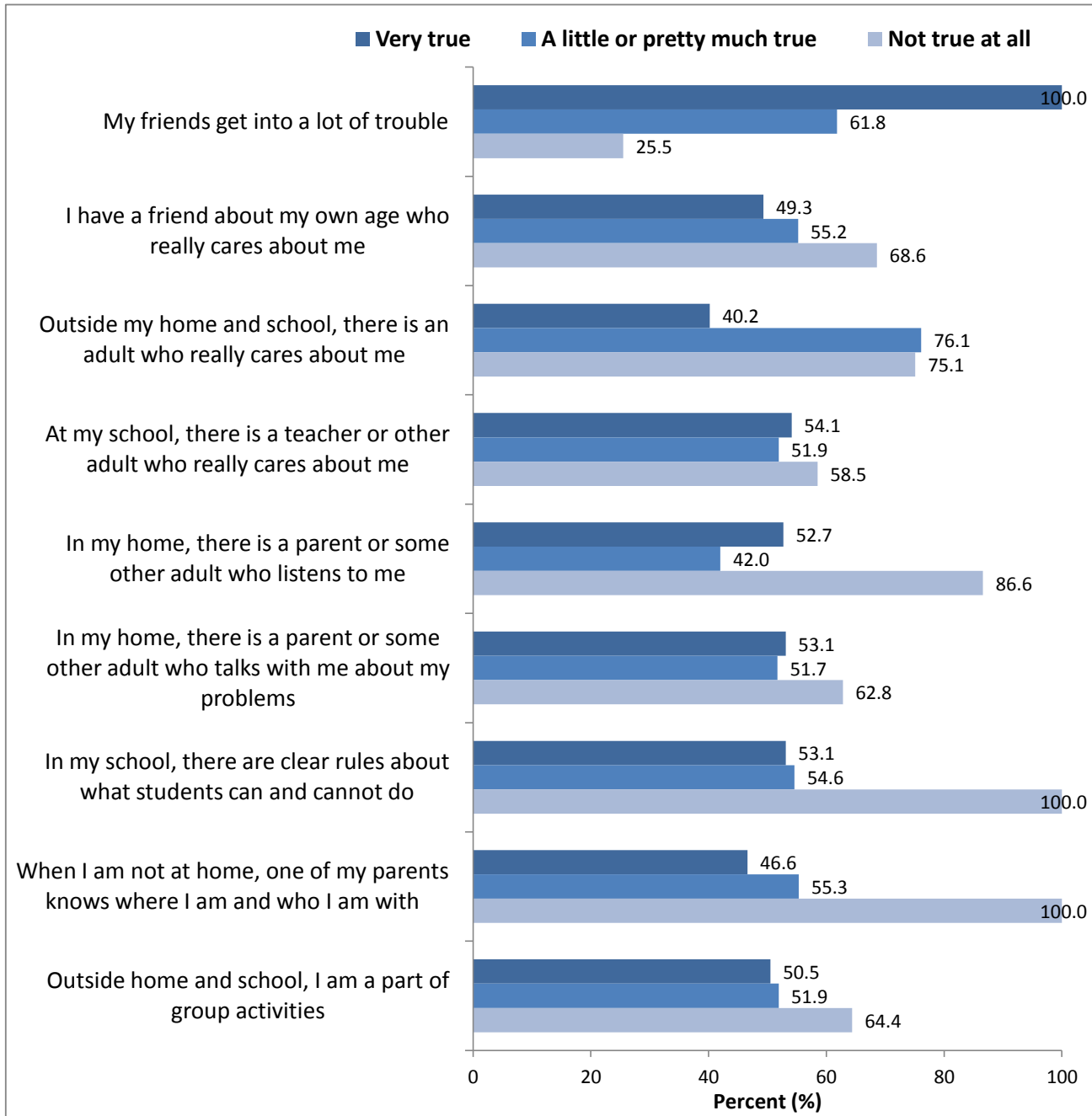
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**How to read this chart:**

- Of those who said it was 'Very much true' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 26.1% rarely or never wore a seatbelt.
- Of those who said it was 'A little or pretty much true' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 10.4% rarely or never wore a seatbelt.
- Of those who said it was 'Not true at all' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 0% rarely or never wore a seatbelt.

**Ever been in a physical fight**  
by Selected Resiliency Factors  
De Baca County  
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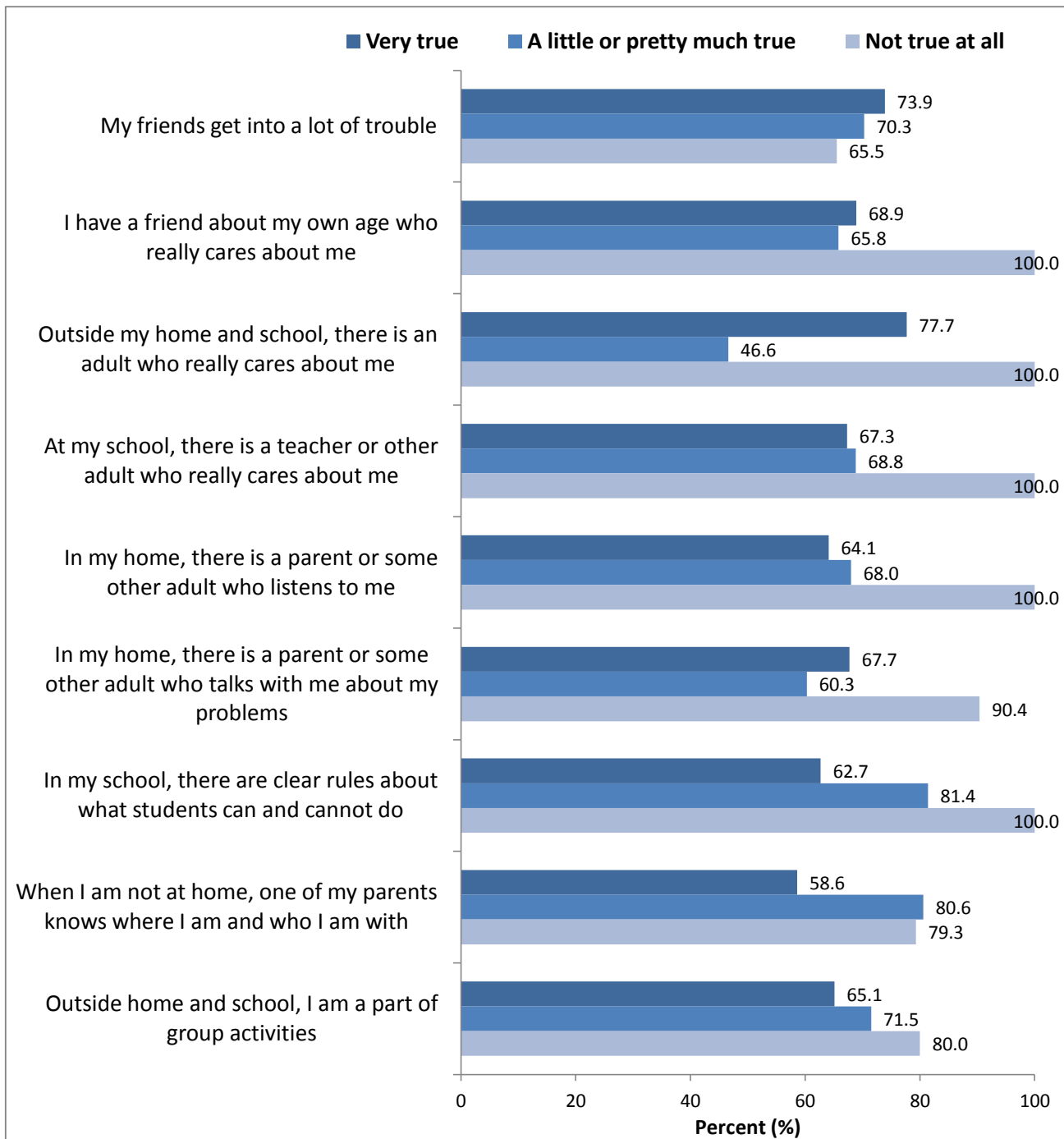
- Of those who said it was 'Very much true' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 100% were ever in a physical fight.
- Of those who said it was 'A little or pretty much true' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 61.8% were ever in a physical fight.
- Of those who said it was 'Not true at all' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 25.5% were ever in a physical fight.

**Ever bullied on school property**

by Selected Resiliency Factors

De Baca County

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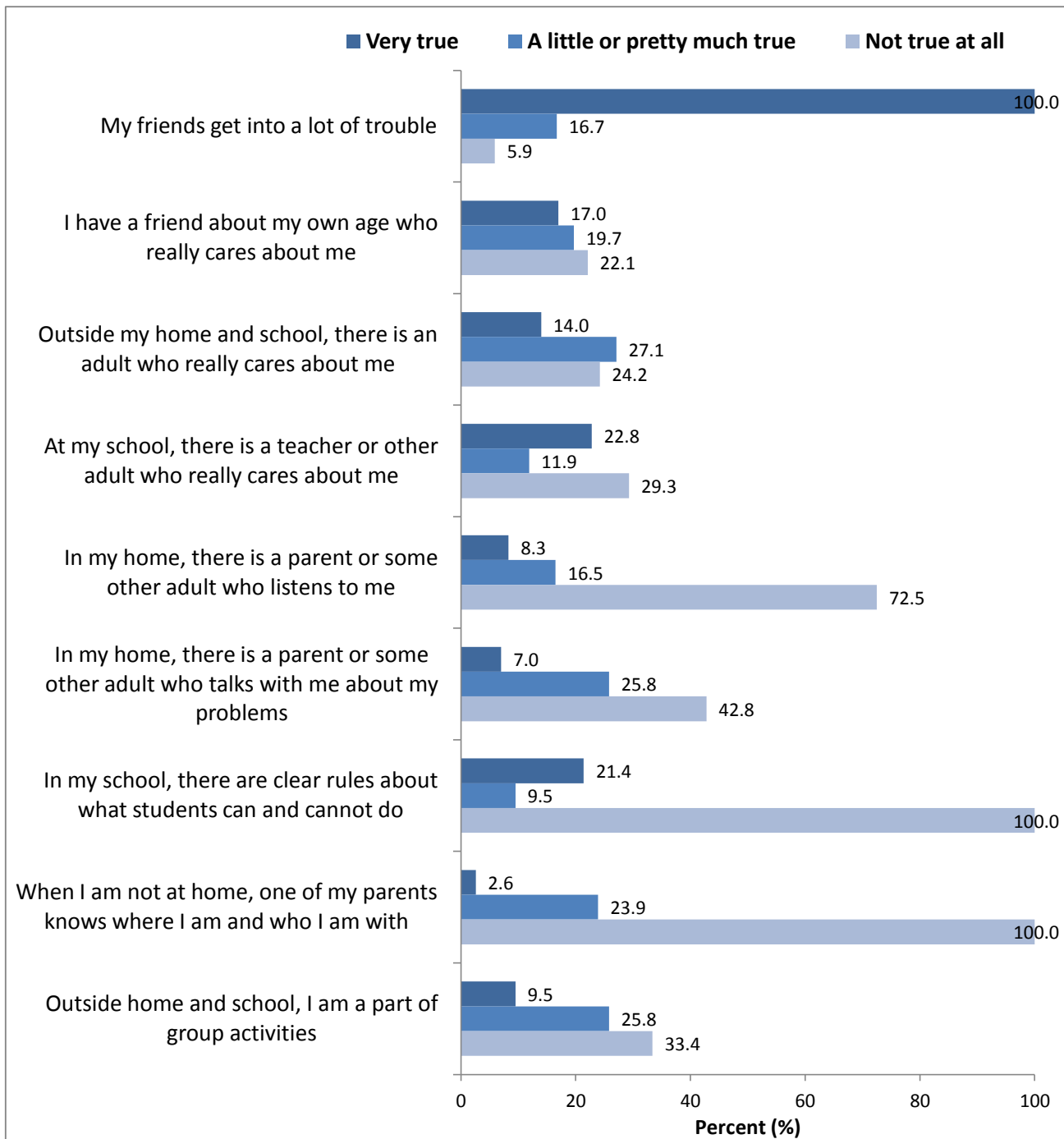
- Of those who said it was 'Very much true' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 73.9% were bullied on school property.
- Of those who said it was 'A little or pretty much true' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 70.3% were bullied on school property.
- Of those who said it was 'Not true at all' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 65.5% were bullied on school property.

**Ever tried to kill self**

by Selected Resiliency Factors

De Baca County

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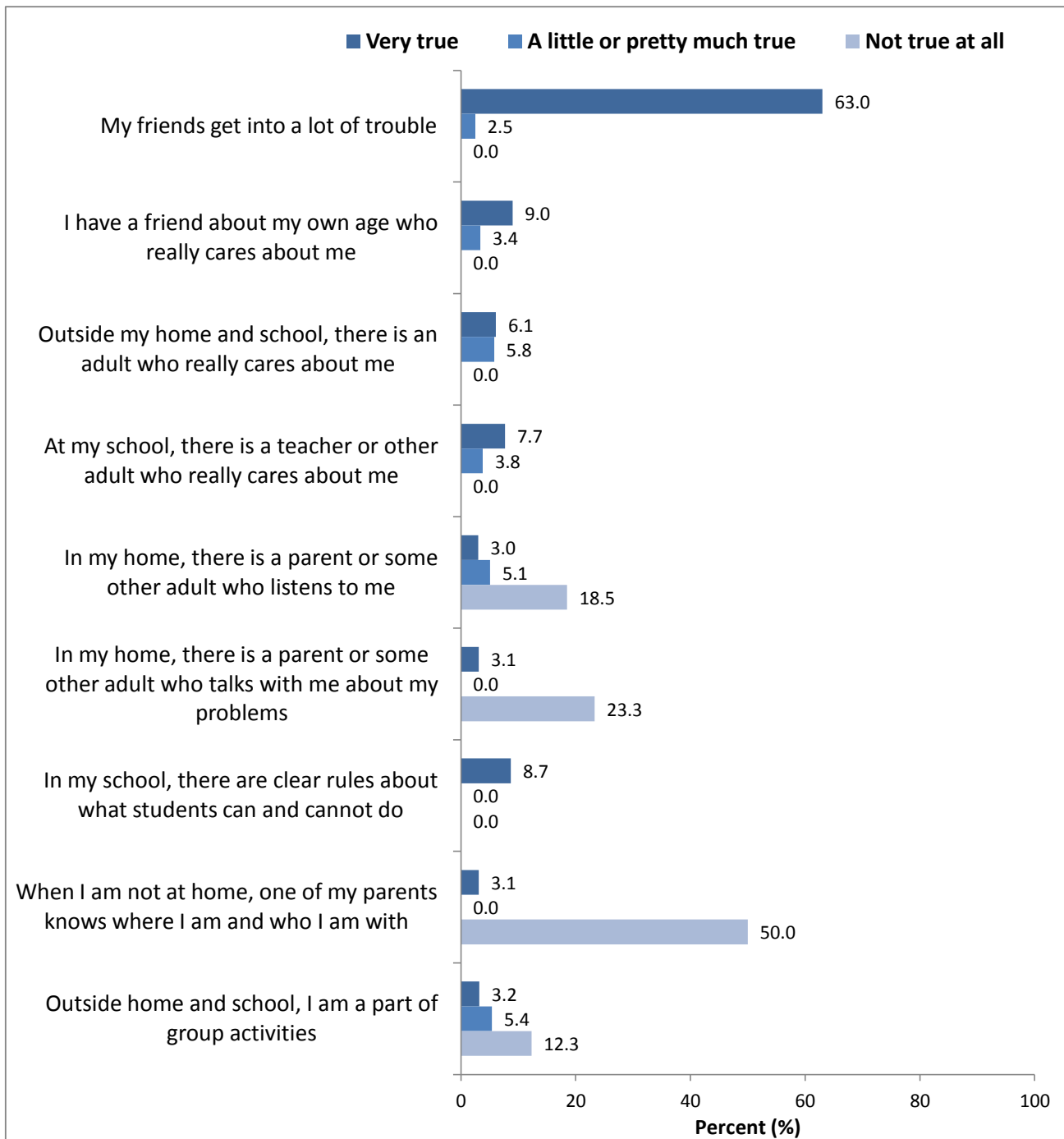
- Of those who said it was 'Very much true' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 100% ever tried to kill themselves.
- Of those who said it was 'A little or pretty much true' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 16.7% ever tried to kill themselves.
- Of those who said it was 'Not true at all' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 5.9% ever tried to kill themselves.

**Current cigarette smoker**

by Selected Resiliency Factors

De Baca County

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**How to read this chart:**

- Of those who said it was 'Very much true' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 63% were current smokers.
- Of those who said it was 'A little or pretty much true' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 2.5% were current smokers.
- Of those who said it was 'Not true at all' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 0% were current smokers.

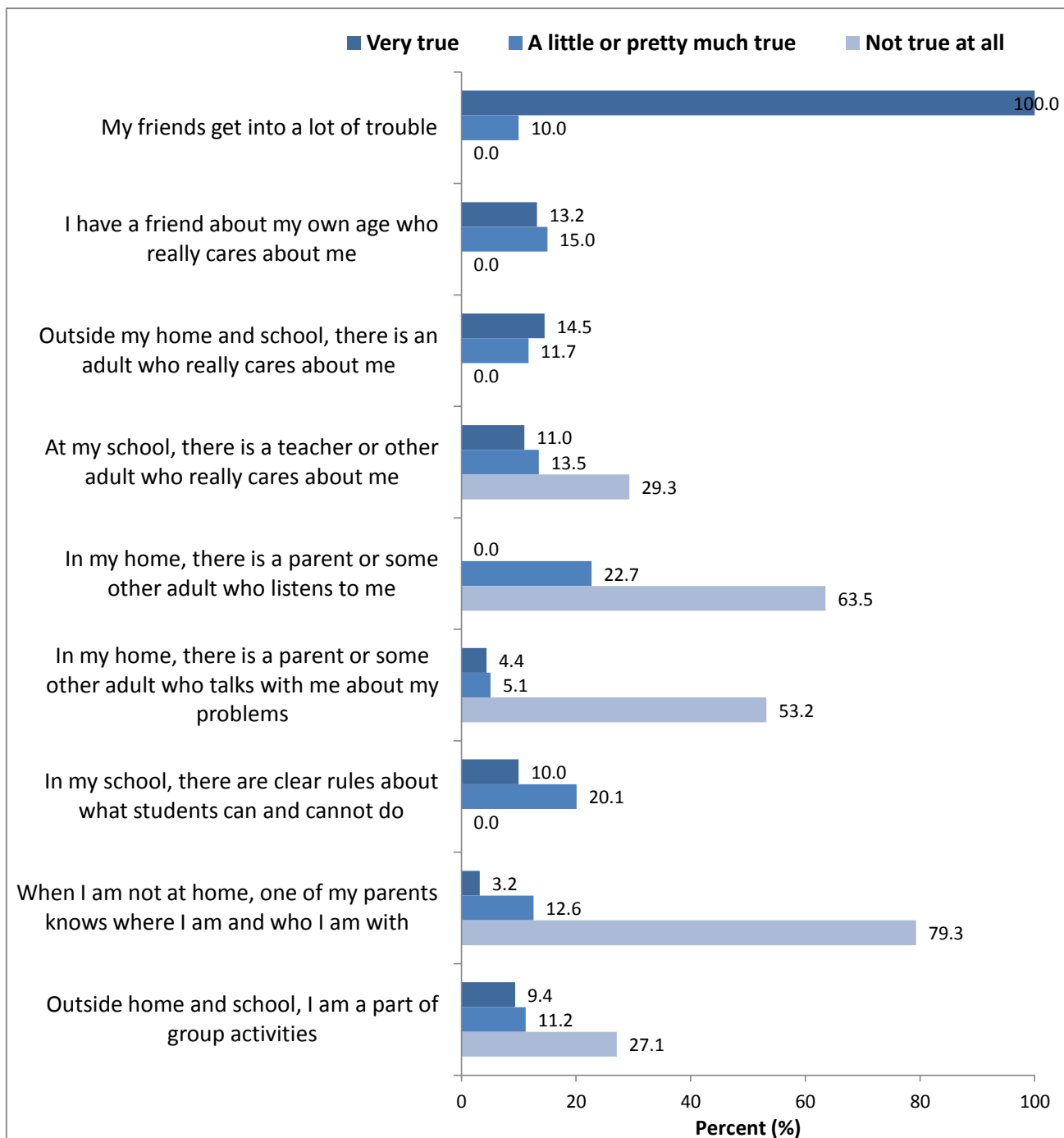


**Current drinking**

by Selected Resiliency Factors

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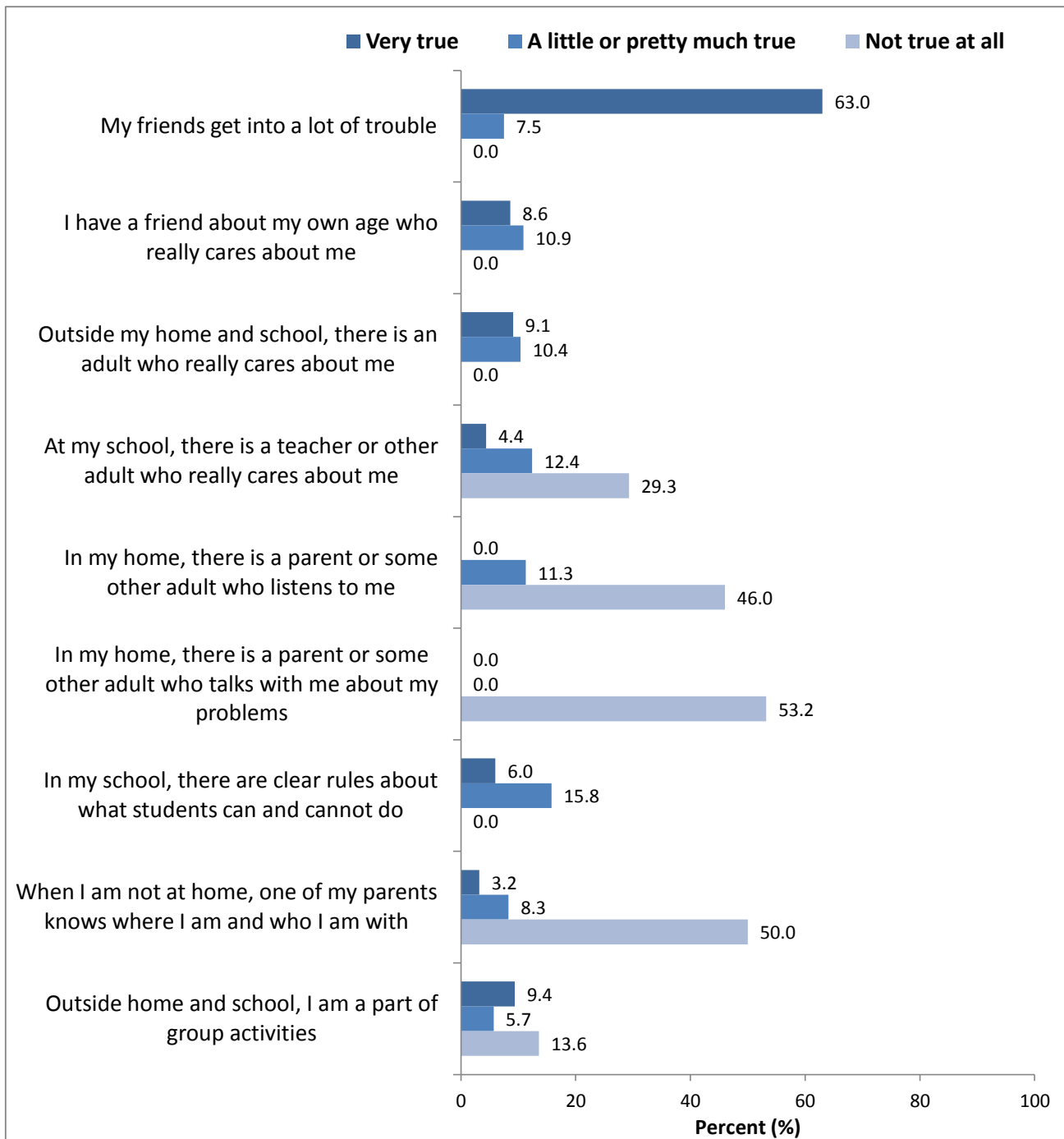
- Of those who said it was 'Very much true' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 100% were current drinkers.
- Of those who said it was 'A little or pretty much true' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 10% were current drinkers.
- Of those who said it was 'Not true at all' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 0% were current drinkers.

**Binge drinking**

by Selected Resiliency Factors

De Baca County

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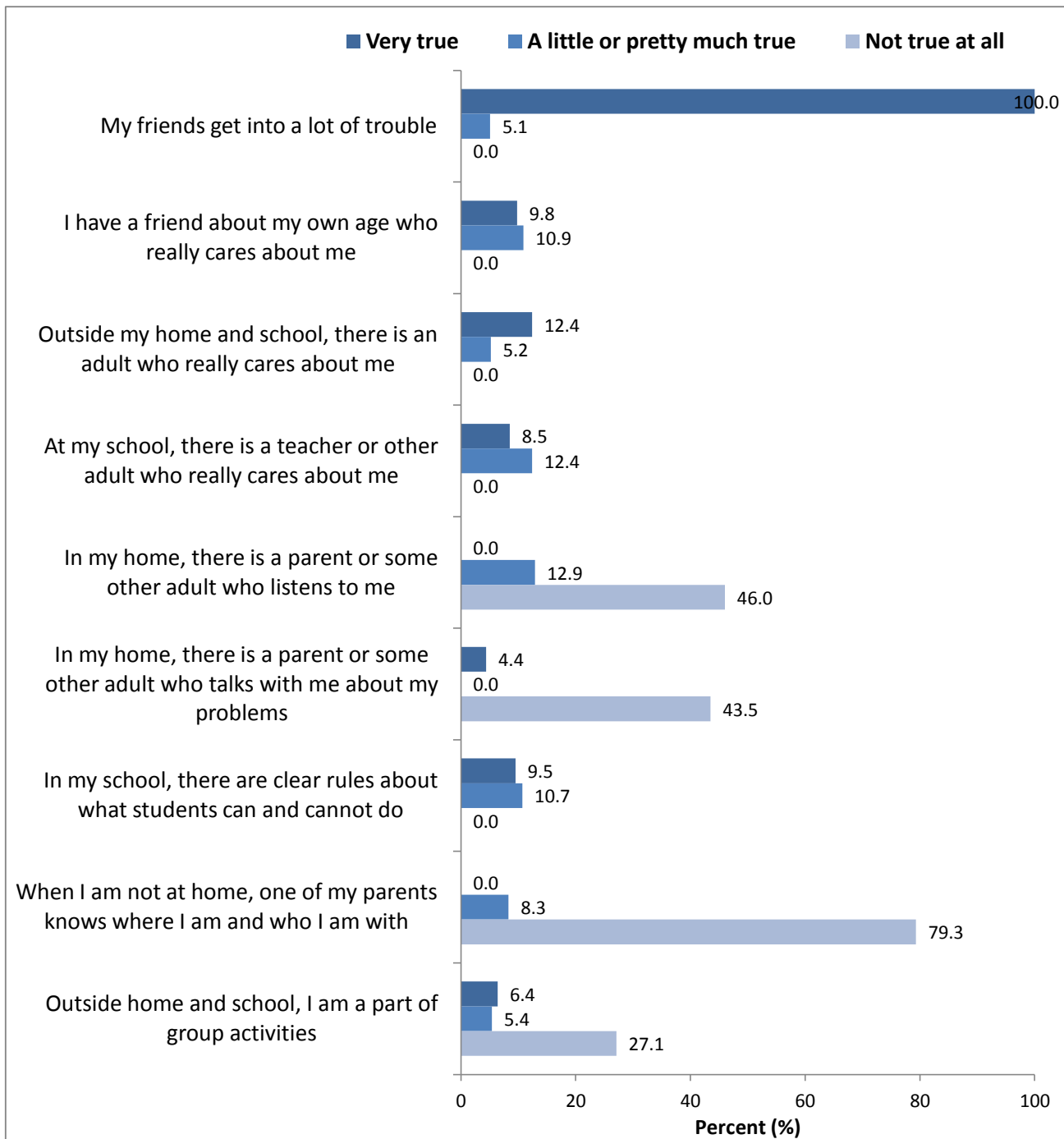
- Of those who said it was 'Very much true' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 63% were binge drinkers.
- Of those who said it was 'A little or pretty much true' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 7.5% were binge drinkers.
- Of those who said it was 'Not true at all' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 0% were binge drinkers.

**Current marijuana use**

by Selected Resiliency Factors

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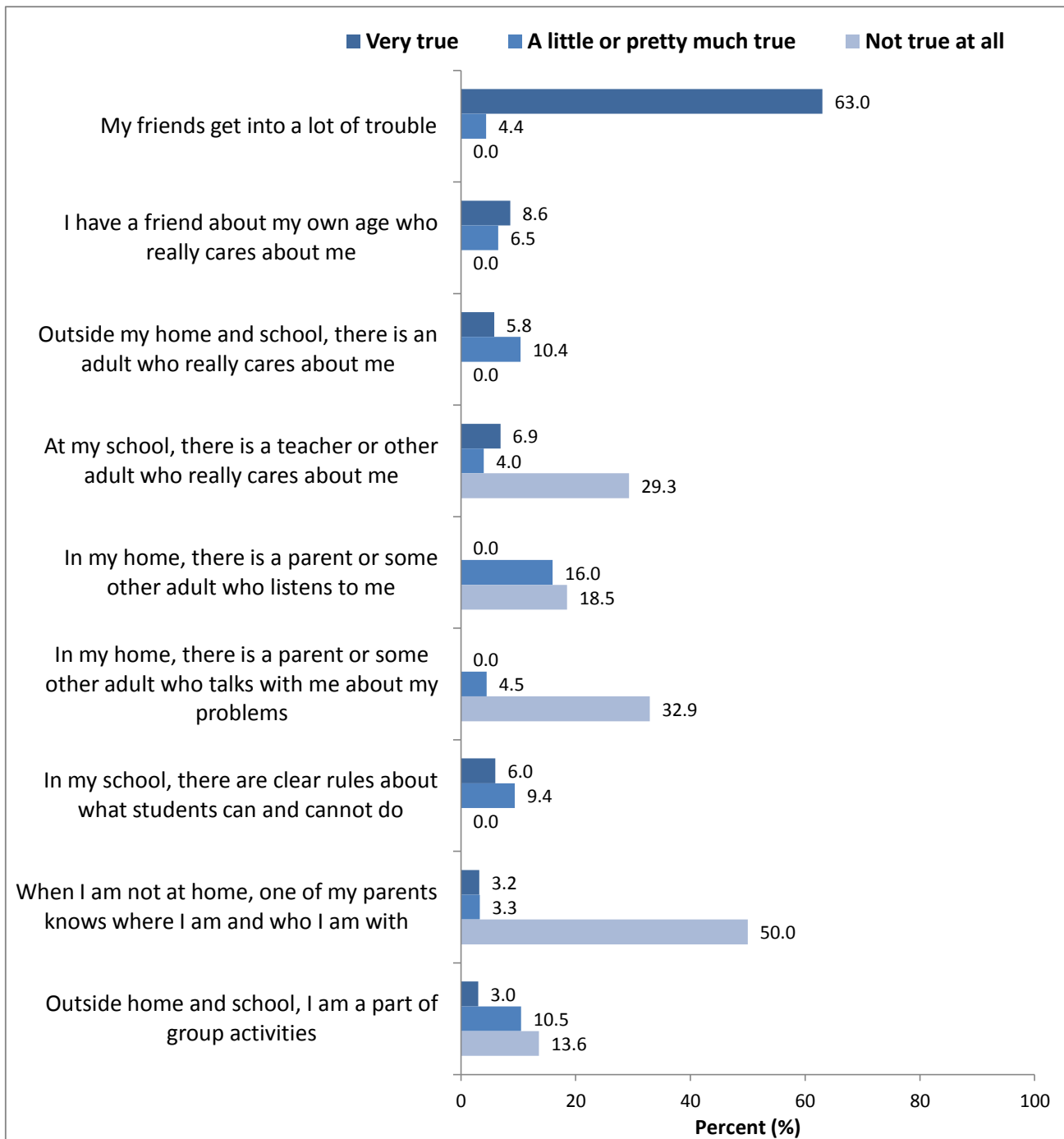
- Of those who said it was 'Very much true' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 100% were current marijuana users.
- Of those who said it was 'A little or pretty much true' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 5.1% were current marijuana users.
- Of those who said it was 'Not true at all' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 0% were current marijuana users.

**Ever used a prescription drug without a doctor's prescription**

by Selected Resiliency Factors

De Baca County

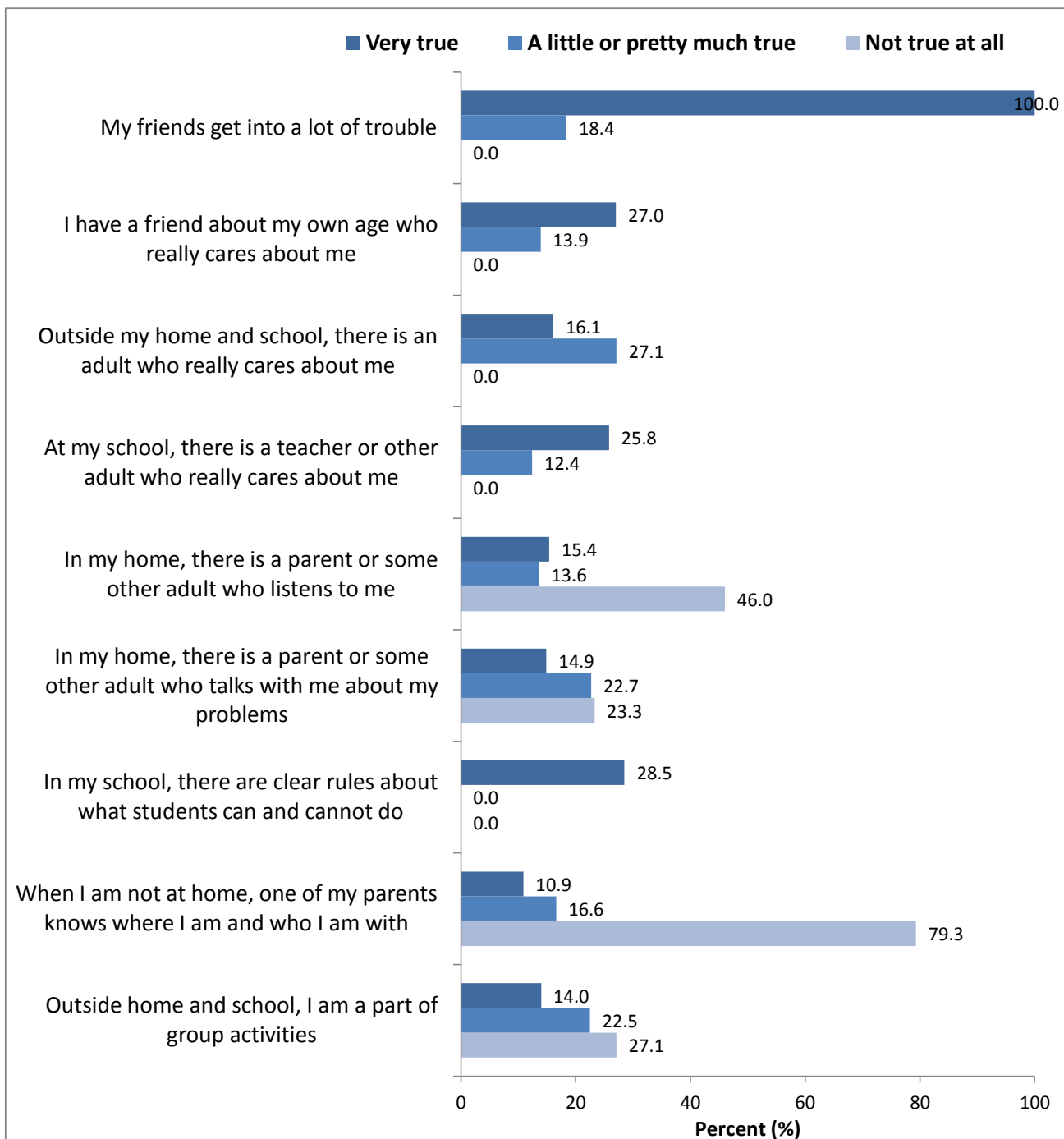
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**How to read this chart:**

- Of those who said it was 'Very much true' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 63% used prescription drugs without a doctor's prescription.
- Of those who said it was 'A little or pretty much true' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 4.4% used prescription drugs without a doctor's prescription.
- Of those who said it was 'Not true at all' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 0% used prescription drugs without a doctor's prescription.

**Ever had sexual intercourse**  
 by Selected Resiliency Factors  
 De Baca County  
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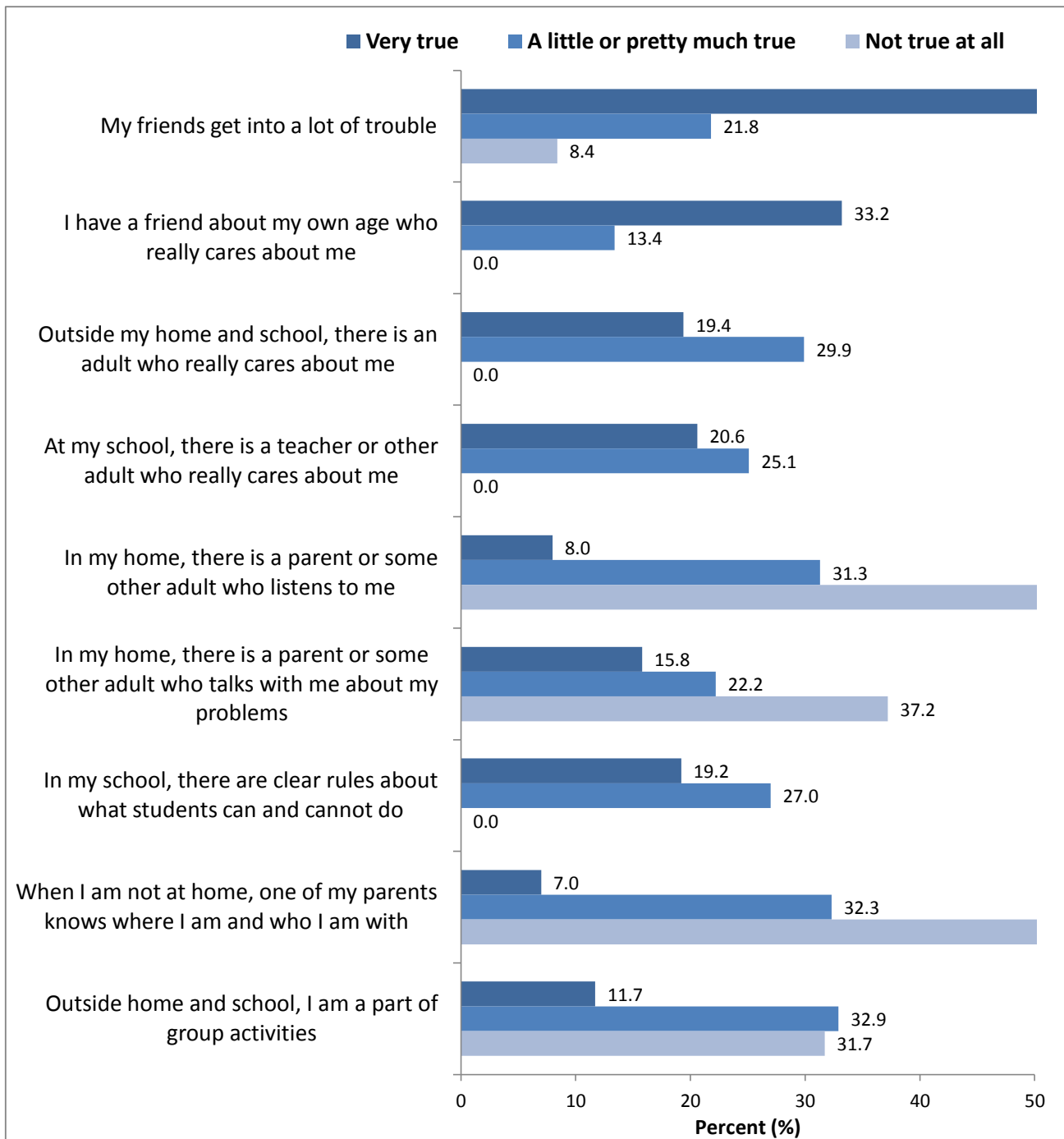
- Of those who said it was 'Very much true' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 100% ever had sexual intercourse.
- Of those who said it was 'A little or pretty much true' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 18.4% ever had sexual intercourse.
- Of those who said it was 'Not true at all' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 0% ever had sexual intercourse.

**Ever fasted 24 hours or more to lose weight**

by Selected Resiliency Factors

De Baca County

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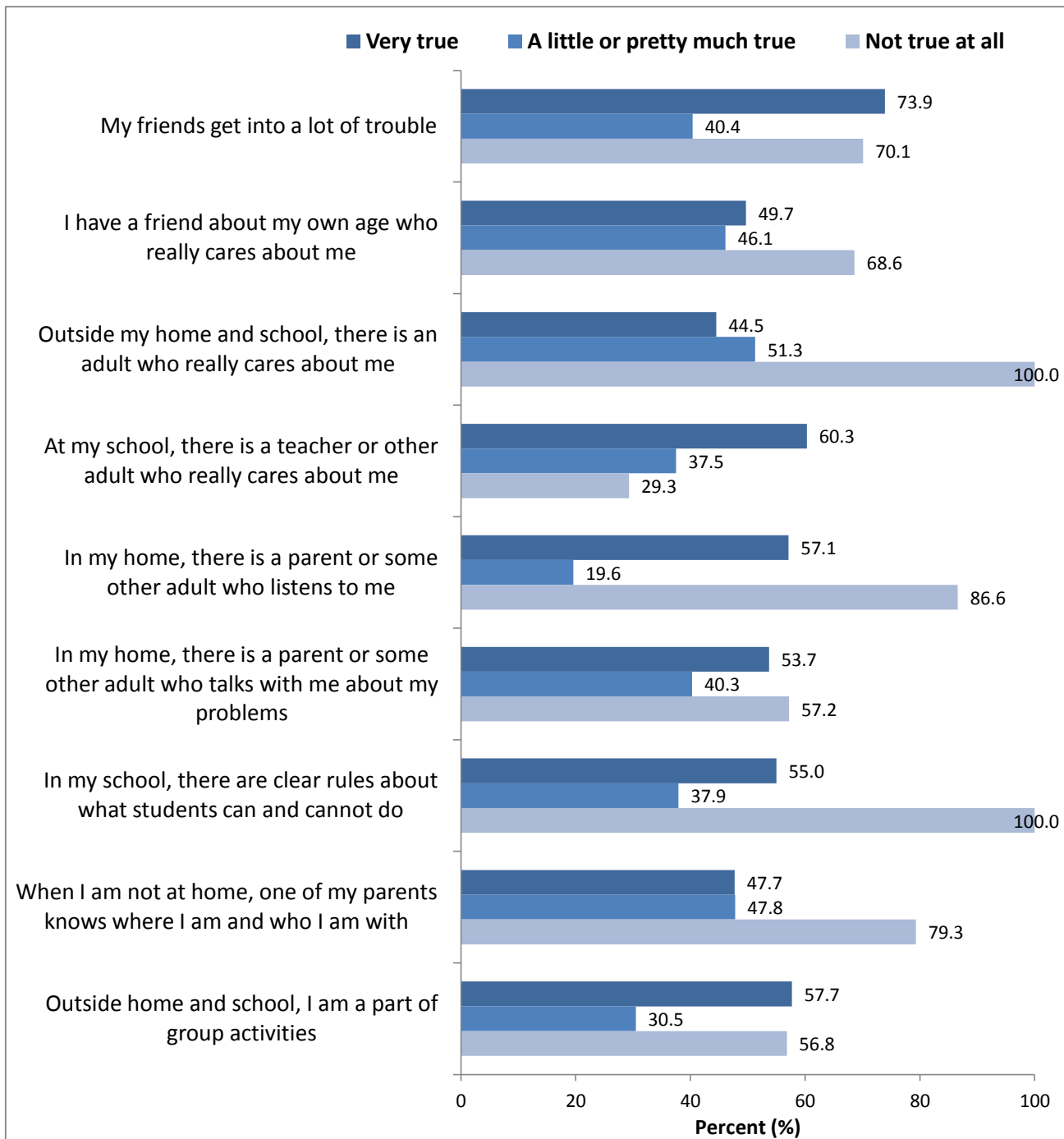
- Of those who said it was 'Very much true' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 73.9% ever fasted to lose weight.
- Of those who said it was 'A little or pretty much true' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 21.8% ever fasted to lose weight.
- Of those who said it was 'Not true at all' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 8.4% ever fasted to lose weight.

**Daily physical activity**

by Selected Resiliency Factors

De Baca County

Grades 6-8, 2011



**How to read this chart:**

- Of those who said it was 'Very much true' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 73.9% engaged in daily physical activity.
- Of those who said it was 'A little or pretty much true' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 40.4% engaged in daily physical activity.
- Of those who said it was 'Not true at all' that their friends got into a lot of trouble, 70.1% engaged in daily physical activity.





## Appendix A

### Questionnaire with Results



**2011 Middle School Questionnaire**

**NM YRRS**

**De Baca County**

(52 respondents; Response rate = 65%)

<u>Personal Information</u>	<u>Number of responses</u>	<u>%</u>
1. How old are you?		
A. 10 years old or younger	0	0.0%
B. 11 years old	10	19.2%
C. 12 years old	12	23.1%
D. 13 years old	18	34.6%
E. 14 years old	11	21.2%
F. 15 years old	1	1.9%
G. 16 years old or older	0	0.0%
2. What is your sex?		
A. Female	31	59.6%
B. Male	21	40.4%
3. In what grade are you?		
A. 6th grade	19	36.5%
B. 7th grade	17	32.7%
C. 8th grade	16	30.8%
D. Ungraded or other grade	0	0.0%
4. Are you Hispanic or Latino?		
A. Yes	27	52.9%
B. No	24	47.1%
5. What is your race? (Select one or more responses.)		
A. American Indian or Alaska Native	8	17.4%
B. Asian	1	2.2%
C. Black or African American	3	6.5%
D. Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0.0%
E. White	34	73.9%

**95%**

	<b><u>Weighted</u></b>	<b><u>Confidence</u></b>
	<b><u>%</u></b>	<b><u>Interval</u></b>
6. During the past 12 months, how would you describe your grades in school?		
A. Mostly A's	32.1	(19.7-47.6)
B. Mostly B's	33.5	(19.4-51.4)
C. Mostly C's	5.5	(1.2-21.4)
D. Mostly D's	8.5	(2.9-21.9)
E. Mostly F's	1.3	(0.2-8.7)
F. None of these grades	0.0	(.-.)
G. Not sure	19.1	(7.7-40.1)

**Personal Safety**

The next 3 questions ask about personal safety.

7. When you ride a bicycle, how often do you wear a helmet?		
A. I do not ride a bicycle	18.6	(11.0-29.9)
B. Never wear a helmet	65.9	(48.0-80.2)
C. Rarely wear a helmet	12.5	(5.9-24.6)
D. Sometimes wear a helmet	1.3	(0.2-8.7)
E. Most of the time wear a helmet	0.0	(.-.)
F. Always wear a helmet	1.6	(0.2-12.3)
8. How often do you wear a seat belt when riding in a car?		
A. Never	5.1	(1.4-17.1)
B. Rarely	3.3	(0.5-18.1)
C. Sometimes	16.7	(11.5-23.7)
D. Most of the time	27.2	(12.2-50.0)
E. Always	47.7	(37.5-58.1)
9. Have you ever ridden in a car driven by someone who had been drinking alcohol?		
A. Yes	45.5	(34.8-56.6)
B. No	47.0	(34.3-60.2)
C. Not sure	7.5	(3.0-17.6)

**95%**

**Weighted**    **Confidence**  
**%**            **Interval**

**Violence-Related Behaviors**

The next 2 questions ask about violence-related behaviors.

10. Have you ever carried a weapon, such as a gun, knife, or club?

A. Yes	52.5	(36.5-68.1)
B. No	47.5	(31.9-63.5)

11. Have you ever been in a physical fight?

A. Yes	53.4	(33.5-72.4)
B. No	46.6	(27.6-66.5)

The next 2 questions ask about bullying. Bullying is when 1 or more students tease, threaten, spread rumors about, hit, shove, or hurt another student over and over again. It is not bullying when 2 students of about the same strength or power argue or fight or tease each other in a friendly way.

12. Have you ever been bullied on school property?

A. Yes	69.7	(56.6-80.2)
B. No	30.3	(19.8-43.4)

13. Have you ever been electronically bullied? (Include being bullied through e-mail, chat rooms, instant messaging, Web sites, or texting.)

A. Yes	32.6	(21.0-46.8)
B. No	67.4	(53.2-79.0)

**Sadness and Attempted Suicide**

The next 3 questions ask about attempted suicide. Sometimes people feel so depressed about the future that they may consider attempting suicide or killing themselves.

14 Have you ever seriously thought about killing yourself?

A. Yes	30.2	(16.0-49.6)
B. No	69.8	(50.4-84.0)

15 Have you ever made a plan about how you would kill yourself?

A. Yes	28.2	(13.9-48.8)
B. No	71.8	(51.2-86.1)

16. Have you ever tried to kill yourself?

A. Yes	18.6	(6.6-42.5)
B. No	81.4	(57.5-93.4)

<u>Tobacco Use</u>	<u>Weighted %</u>	<u>95% Confidence Interval</u>
The next 16 questions ask about tobacco use.		
17. Have you ever tried cigarette smoking, even one or two puffs?		
A. Yes	25.6	(12.1-46.2)
B. No	74.4	(53.8-87.9)
18. How old were you when you smoked a whole cigarette for the first time?		
A. I have never smoked a whole cigarette	84.1	(56.9-95.5)
B. 8 years old or younger	1.6	(0.2-10.2)
C. 9 years old	1.6	(0.2-10.2)
D. 10 years old	0.0	(-.)
E. 11 years old	0.0	(-.)
F. 12 years old	0.0	(-.)
G. 13 years old or older	12.8	(2.6-44.9)
19. About how many cigarettes have you smoked in your entire life?		
A. 0 cigarettes	77.8	(56.9-90.3)
B. 1 or more puffs but never a whole cigarette	7.3	(3.4-15.0)
C. 1 cigarette	0.0	(-.)
D. 2 to 5 cigarettes	5.8	(1.8-17.0)
E. 6 to 15 cigarettes (about ½ a pack total)	0.0	(-.)
F. 16 to 25 cigarettes (about 1 pack total)	1.6	(0.2-10.3)
G. 26 to 99 cigarettes (more than 1 pack, but less than 5 packs)	3.4	(0.5-19.7)
H. 100 or more cigarettes (5 or more packs)	4.0	(1.3-11.4)
20. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you smoke cigarettes?		
A. 0 days	94.4	(84.0-98.2)
B. 1 or 2 days	1.6	(0.2-10.3)
C. 3 to 5 days	0.0	(-.)
D. 6 to 9 days	0.0	(-.)
E. 10 to 19 days	2.3	(0.4-13.8)
F. 20 to 29 days	0.0	(-.)
G. All 30 days	1.6	(0.2-10.3)

**95%**

	<b><u>Weighted</u></b> <b><u>%</u></b>	<b><u>Confidence</u></b> <b><u>Interval</u></b>
21. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you smoke cigarettes on school property?		
A. 0 days	98.4	(89.8-99.8)
B. 1 or 2 days	0.0	(-.)
C. 3 to 5 days	1.6	(0.2-10.2)
D. 6 to 9 days	0.0	(-.)
E. 10 to 19 days	0.0	(-.)
F. 20 to 29 days	0.0	(-.)
G. All 30 days	0.0	(-.)
22. During the past 30 days, how did you usually get your own cigarettes? (Select only one response.)		
A. I did not smoke cigarettes during the past 30 days	94.2	(83.9-98.1)
B. I bought them in a store such as a convenience store, supermarket, discount store, or gas station	0.0	(-.)
C. I bought them from a vending machine	0.0	(-.)
D. I gave someone else money to buy them for me	1.7	(0.3-10.5)
E. I borrowed (or bummed) them from someone else	1.7	(0.3-10.5)
F. A person 18 years old or older gave them to me	0.0	(-.)
G. I took them from a store or family member	2.4	(0.4-14.0)
H. I got them some other way	0.0	(-.)
23. During the past 30 days, what brand of cigarettes did you usually smoke? (Select only one response.)		
A. I did not smoke cigarettes during the past 30 days	91.1	(75.9-97.1)
B. I do not have a usual brand	0.0	(-.)
C. Camel	0.0	(-.)
D. Marlboro	8.9	(2.9-24.1)
E. Newport	0.0	(-.)
F. Virginia Slims	0.0	(-.)
G. GPS, Basic, or Doral	0.0	(-.)
H. Some other brand	0.0	(-.)
24. During the past 30 days, how many times have you seen or heard commercials on TV, the Internet, or on the radio about the dangers of cigarette smoking?		
A. 0 times	25.3	(15.1-39.3)
B. 1 to 3 times during the past 30 days	23.0	(13.4-36.4)
C. 1 to 3 times during the past week	20.0	(14.4-27.0)
D. Daily or almost daily	8.7	(3.2-21.2)
E. More than once a day	23.1	(15.8-32.4)

**95%**

**Weighted**    **Confidence**  
**%**            **Interval**

25. During the past 12 months, did you ever try to quit smoking cigarettes?

- A. I did not smoke during the past 12 months
- B. Yes
- C. No

89.1	(71.5-96.4)
9.2	(2.9-25.9)
1.7	(0.2-10.4)

26. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you smoke cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars?

- A. 0 days
- B. 1 or 2 days
- C. 3 to 5 days
- D. 6 to 9 days
- E. 10 to 19 days
- F. 20 to 29 days
- G. All 30 days

96.1	(89.4-98.6)
0.0	(-.)
0.0	(-.)
3.9	(1.4-10.6)
0.0	(-.)
0.0	(-.)
0.0	(-.)

27. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you use chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip, such as Redman, Levi Garrett, Beechnut, Skoal, Skoal Bandits, or Copenhagen?

- A. 0 days
- B. 1 or 2 days
- C. 3 to 5 days
- D. 6 to 9 days
- E. 10 to 19 days
- F. 20 to 29 days
- G. All 30 days

94.5	(84.7-98.2)
1.6	(0.2-10.3)
1.6	(0.2-10.3)
0.0	(-.)
2.3	(0.4-12.7)
0.0	(-.)
0.0	(-.)

28. During the past 7 days, on how many days were you in the same room with someone who was smoking cigarettes?

- A. 0 days
- B. 1 or 2 days
- C. 3 or 4 days
- D. 5 or 6 days
- E. 7 days

49.5	(38.1-60.9)
21.5	(13.8-31.9)
7.6	(1.6-29.2)
4.7	(1.3-15.4)
16.8	(6.3-37.6)

29. Do you think smoke from other people's cigarettes is harmful to you?

- A. Definitely yes
- B. Probably yes
- C. Probably not
- D. Definitely not

45.9	(33.3-59.1)
33.7	(25.0-43.7)
16.4	(10.2-25.1)
4.0	(1.4-10.9)



95%Weighted    Confidence  
%            Interval

30. Do you think that you will try smoking a cigarette soon?		
A. I have already tried smoking cigarettes	8.9	(4.7-16.2)
B. Yes	13.3	(5.5-28.5)
C. No	77.8	(59.5-89.4)
31. Do you think you will smoke a cigarette at anytime during the next year?		
A. Definitely yes	3.9	(1.4-10.6)
B. Probably yes	12.3	(3.5-35.2)
C. Probably not	18.1	(13.8-23.5)
D. Definitely not	65.6	(45.9-81.1)
32. If one of your best friends offered you a cigarette, would you smoke it?		
A. Definitely yes	3.9	(1.4-10.6)
B. Probably yes	10.3	(4.2-22.9)
C. Probably not	28.4	(19.6-39.2)
D. Definitely not	57.4	(42.0-71.6)

**Alcohol**

The next 8 questions ask about drinking alcohol. This includes drinking beer, wine, wine coolers, and liquor such as rum, gin, vodka, or whiskey. For these questions, drinking alcohol does not include drinking a few sips of wine for religious purposes.

33. Have you ever had a drink of alcohol, other than a few sips?		
A. Yes	28.8	(18.4-42.1)
B. No	71.2	(57.9-81.6)
34. How old were you when you had your first drink of alcohol other than a few sips?		
A. I have never had a drink of alcohol other than a few sips	70.4	(55.5-81.9)
B. 8 years old or younger	11.4	(4.3-26.9)
C. 9 years old	0.0	(.-.)
D. 10 years old	1.5	(0.2-11.0)
E. 11 years old	1.9	(0.3-12.4)
F. 12 years old	14.8	(3.2-47.4)
G. 13 years old or older	0.0	(.-.)

**95%**

	<b><u>Weighted</u></b> <b><u>%</u></b>	<b><u>Confidence</u></b> <b><u>Interval</u></b>
35. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you have at least one drink of alcohol?		
A. 0 days	87.0	(76.3-93.3)
B. 1 or 2 days	3.8	(1.2-11.1)
C. 3 to 5 days	3.3	(0.5-19.7)
D. 6 to 9 days	3.5	(0.5-21.5)
E. 10 to 19 days	2.4	(0.4-13.9)
F. 20 to 29 days	0.0	(.-)
G. All 30 days	0.0	(.-)
36. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you have 5 or more drinks of alcohol in a row, that is, within a couple of hours?		
A. 0 days	91.0	(82.8-95.4)
B. 1 day	5.1	(1.3-17.5)
C. 2 days	1.6	(0.2-10.4)
D. 3 to 5 days	0.0	(.-)
E. 6 to 9 days	2.3	(0.4-12.9)
F. 10 to 19 days	0.0	(.-)
G. 20 or more days	0.0	(.-)
37. If you wanted to get some beer, wine, or hard liquor (for example, vodka, whiskey, or gin), how easy would it be for you to get?		
A. Very hard	54.8	(46.1-63.2)
B. Sort of hard	12.8	(5.6-26.6)
C. Sort of easy	26.1	(22.9-29.4)
D. Very easy	6.4	(3.5-11.4)
38. How wrong do your parents feel it would be for you to drink alcohol (beer, wine, or hard liquor) regularly?		
A. Very wrong	69.1	(61.2-76.1)
B. Wrong	14.2	(9.2-21.3)
C. A little bit wrong	15.1	(10.3-21.5)
D. Not wrong at all	1.6	(0.2-10.4)
39. How wrong do you think it is for someone your age to drink alcohol (beer, wine, or hard liquor) regularly?		
A. Very wrong	54.8	(46.7-62.7)
B. Wrong	28.8	(22.8-35.6)
C. A little bit wrong	8.9	(3.1-22.6)
D. Not wrong at all	7.5	(3.6-15.1)

	<b><u>Weighted</u></b>	<b><u>95%</u></b> <b><u>Confidence</u></b>
	<b><u>%</u></b>	<b><u>Interval</u></b>
40. How much do you think people risk harming themselves (physically or in other ways) if they have one or two drinks of beer, wine, or hard liquor nearly every day?		
A. No risk	5.4	(2.8-10.3)
B. Slight risk	19.6	(9.6-35.9)
C. Moderate risk	26.7	(15.0-42.9)
D. Great risk	48.4	(31.6-65.6)

### **Marijuana and other Drug Use**

The next 8 questions ask about marijuana use and other drug use. Marijuana also is called grass or pot.

41. Have you ever used marijuana?		
A. Yes	17.0	(9.8-27.9)
B. No	83.0	(72.1-90.2)
42. How old were you when you tried marijuana for the first time?		
A. I have never tried marijuana	83.3	(72.0-90.6)
B. 8 years old or younger	1.6	(0.2-10.4)
C. 9 years old	0.0	(-.)
D. 10 years old	5.1	(1.6-14.6)
E. 11 years old	4.3	(1.3-12.9)
F. 12 years old	2.3	(0.4-12.8)
G. 13 years old or older	3.4	(0.5-21.4)
43. During the past 30 days, how many times did you use marijuana?		
A. 0 times	90.4	(80.6-95.5)
B. 1 or 2 times	3.4	(0.5-21.3)
C. 3 to 9 times	2.3	(0.4-12.7)
D. 10 to 19 times	0.0	(-.)
E. 20 to 39 times	2.3	(0.4-12.7)
F. 40 or more times	1.6	(0.2-10.3)
44. Have you ever taken a prescription drug (such as OxyContin, Percocet, Vicodin, codeine, Adderall, Ritalin, or Xanax) without a doctor's prescription?		
A. Yes	7.0	(2.1-20.8)
B. No	93.0	(79.2-97.9)
45. Have you ever used a pain killer to get high, like Vicodin, OxyContin (also called Oxy or OC), or Percocet (also called Percs)?		
A. Yes	7.9	(2.8-20.7)
B. No	92.1	(79.3-97.2)

**95%****Weighted**   **Confidence**  
**%**   **Interval**

46. Have you ever used any form of cocaine, including powder, crack, or freebase?

A. Yes

6.3

(1.8-19.5)

B. No

93.7

(80.5-98.2)

47. Have you ever sniffed glue, or breathed the contents of spray cans, or inhaled any paints or sprays to get high?

A. Yes

23.0

(11.4-40.9)

B. No

77.0

(59.1-88.6)

48. Have you ever used a needle to inject any illegal drug into your body?

A. Yes

2.3

(0.4-12.9)

B. No

97.7

(87.1-99.6)

**Sexual Behavior**

The next 4 questions ask about sexual intercourse.

49. Have you ever had sexual intercourse?

A. Yes

18.8

(5.0-50.5)

B. No

81.2

(49.5-95.0)

50. How old were you when you had sexual intercourse for the first time?

A. I have never had sexual intercourse

81.2

(49.5-95.0)

B. 8 years old or younger

1.7

(0.2-10.5)

C. 9 years old

2.4

(0.4-12.9)

D. 10 years old

1.7

(0.2-10.5)

E. 11 years old

9.3

(1.4-42.1)

F. 12 years old

0.0

(-.)

G. 13 years old or older

3.8

(1.3-10.3)

51. With how many people have you ever had sexual intercourse?

A. I have never had sexual intercourse

81.2

(49.5-95.0)

B. 1 person

7.2

(1.8-24.5)

C. 2 people

1.7

(0.2-10.5)

D. 3 people

3.5

(0.6-18.5)

E. 4 people

1.7

(0.2-10.5)

F. 5 people

0.0

(-.)

G. 6 or more people

4.7

(0.8-24.1)

**95%**

<b><u>Weighted</u></b>	<b><u>Confidence</u></b>
<b><u>%</u></b>	<b><u>Interval</u></b>

52. The last time you had sexual intercourse, did you or your partner use a condom?

A. I have never had sexual intercourse

81.5 (49.8-95.2)

B. Yes

4.0 (1.4-10.6)

C. No

14.5 (3.6-43.7)

### **Body Weight**

The next 4 questions ask about body weight.

53. How do you describe your weight?

A. Very underweight

1.7 (0.2-12.9)

B. Slightly underweight

11.7 (5.4-23.6)

C. About the right weight

63.7 (58.0-69.1)

D. Slightly overweight

18.2 (13.8-23.7)

E. Very overweight

4.7 (1.3-15.4)

54. Which of the following are you trying to do about your weight?

A. Lose weight

30.7 (22.2-40.8)

B. Gain weight

14.6 (7.2-27.2)

C. Stay the same weight

25.3 (13.9-41.4)

D. I am not trying to do anything about my weight

29.5 (17.9-44.6)

55. Have you ever gone without eating for 24 hours or more (also called fasting) to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight?

A. Yes

21.4 (9.7-40.9)

B. No

78.6 (59.1-90.3)

56. Have you ever vomited or taken laxatives to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight?

A. Yes

3.4 (0.5-18.3)

B. No

96.6 (81.7-99.5)

**Physical Activity**

The next 4 questions ask about physical activity.

57. During the past 7 days, on how many days were you physically active for a total of at least 60 minutes per day? (Add up all the time you spend in any kind of physical activity that increases your heart rate and makes you breathe hard some of the time.)

A. 0 days	13.2	(4.2-34.5)
B. 1 day	2.3	(0.3-15.0)
C. 2 days	4.2	(1.1-14.8)
D. 3 days	8.2	(3.1-20.1)
E. 4 days	7.3	(4.2-12.5)
F. 5 days	10.8	(4.1-25.9)
G. 6 days	4.5	(1.1-16.5)
H. 7 days	49.4	(29.5-69.5)

58. On an average school day, how many hours do you watch TV?

A. I do not watch TV on an average school day	8.7	(3.0-22.3)
B. Less than 1 hour per day	15.5	(6.7-31.8)
C. 1 hour per day	9.6	(4.0-21.4)
D. 2 hours per day	39.3	(26.8-53.4)
E. 3 hours per day	13.4	(9.3-18.9)
F. 4 hours per day	3.8	(0.9-15.0)
G. 5 or more hours per day	9.7	(6.5-14.3)

59. On an average school day, how many hours do you play video or computer games or use a computer for something that is not school work? (Include activities such as Xbox, PlayStation, Nintendo DS, iPod touch, Facebook, and the Internet.)

A. I do not play video or computer games or use a computer for something that is not school work	12.1	(2.9-38.9)
B. Less than 1 hour per day	31.7	(16.2-52.7)
C. 1 hour per day	22.2	(13.5-34.2)
D. 2 hours per day	18.9	(8.9-35.7)
E. 3 hours per day	3.9	(1.0-14.4)
F. 4 hours per day	5.0	(1.6-14.6)
G. 5 or more hours per day	6.2	(1.7-20.0)

**95%**

	<b><u>Weighted</u></b>	<b><u>Confidence</u></b>
	<b><u>%</u></b>	<b><u>Interval</u></b>
60. In an average week when you are in school, on how many days do you go to physical education (PE) classes?		
A. 0 days	24.1	(11.7-43.4)
B. 1 day	0.0	(.-.)
C. 2 days	0.0	(.-.)
D. 3 days	28.2	(5.9-71.0)
E. 4 days	3.0	(0.4-18.1)
F. 5 days	44.7	(23.3-68.3)

**Health-Related Topics**

The next 4 questions ask about other health-related topics.

61. Have you ever been taught about AIDS or HIV infection in school?		
A. Yes	55.0	(19.7-85.9)
B. No	27.5	(10.8-54.4)
C. Not sure	17.4	(5.6-43.1)
62. Has a doctor or nurse ever told you that you have asthma?		
A. Yes	25.4	(15.9-38.0)
B. No	72.3	(55.9-84.3)
C. Not sure	2.3	(0.4-12.9)
63. Do you still have asthma?		
A. I have never had asthma	68.3	(59.1-76.3)
B. Yes	11.7	(7.2-18.3)
C. No	13.8	(6.8-25.8)
D. Not sure	6.2	(2.5-14.6)
64. Do you have enough food to eat, sometimes not enough to eat, or often not enough to eat?		
A. Enough food to eat	92.1	(85.2-95.9)
B. Sometimes not enough to eat	5.6	(1.7-17.3)
C. Often not enough to eat	2.3	(0.4-12.9)

**Resiliency Factors**

How true do you feel the following 10 statements are for you?

65. My friends get into a lot of trouble.		
A. Not true at all	27.2	(15.5-43.2)
B. A little true	58.7	(46.0-70.4)
C. Pretty much true	7.9	(3.7-16.2)
D. Very much true	6.2	(1.8-19.4)

**95%****Weighted**    **Confidence**  
**%**            **Interval**

66. I often do things without thinking about what will happen.

A. Not true at all	14.6	(7.3-27.2)
B. A little true	46.7	(31.3-62.7)
C. Pretty much true	21.5	(11.3-37.3)
D. Very much true	17.2	(9.6-28.7)

67. I have a friend about my own age who really cares about me.

A. Not true at all	7.2	(1.9-23.8)
B. A little true	19.0	(8.5-37.2)
C. Pretty much true	27.8	(18.7-39.0)
D. Very much true	46.1	(33.5-59.3)

68. Outside of my home and school, there is an adult who really cares about me.

A. Not true at all	6.5	(2.9-14.3)
B. A little true	8.2	(3.9-16.2)
C. Pretty much true	22.3	(10.0-42.5)
D. Very much true	63.0	(48.1-75.7)

69. At my school there is a teacher or some other adult who really cares about me.

A. Not true at all	5.4	(1.8-15.3)
B. A little true	9.0	(2.6-26.4)
C. Pretty much true	32.4	(22.4-44.2)
D. Very much true	53.2	(39.6-66.4)

70. In my home, there is a parent or some other adult who listens to me when I have something to say.

A. Not true at all	12.1	(6.4-21.7)
B. A little true	8.7	(5.6-13.3)
C. Pretty much true	22.7	(17.8-28.4)
D. Very much true	56.5	(51.3-61.5)

71. In my home, there is a parent or some other adult who talks with me about my problems.

A. Not true at all	16.7	(9.9-26.9)
B. A little true	12.2	(5.3-25.3)
C. Pretty much true	19.3	(9.9-34.2)
D. Very much true	51.8	(43.9-59.6)



**95%**

**Weighted**    **Confidence**  
**%**            **Interval**

72. In my school, there are clear rules about what students can and cannot do.

A. Not true at all	1.6	(0.2-10.3)
B. A little true	4.8	(1.2-17.1)
C. Pretty much true	26.8	(11.5-50.9)
D. Very much true	66.8	(38.4-86.7)

73. When I am not at home, one of my parents/guardians knows where I am and who I am with.

A. Not true at all	7.8	(2.7-20.6)
B. A little true	18.4	(6.9-40.7)
C. Pretty much true	22.4	(11.7-38.6)
D. Very much true	51.3	(43.4-59.2)

74. Outside of my home and school, I am a part of clubs, sports teams, church/temple, or other group activities.

A. Not true at all	18.2	(5.9-44.3)
B. A little true	12.9	(8.9-18.3)
C. Pretty much true	16.5	(9.8-26.4)
D. Very much true	52.4	(35.9-68.4)



## Appendix B About this Report



## Appendix B: About this Report

This report contains county level results from the 2011 New Mexico Middle School Youth Risk and Resiliency Survey (YRRS). The YRRS is a statewide survey of public school students in middle schools and high schools throughout New Mexico. Statewide and county level results are available at

[www.YouthRisk.org](http://www.YouthRisk.org), and

[www.health.state.nm.us/ERD/HealthData/yrrs.shtml](http://www.health.state.nm.us/ERD/HealthData/yrrs.shtml).

Together, these documents comprise a useful tool for those working on youth-related issues at the state and local level.

The YRRS is organized into two major content areas: risk behaviors and protective (resiliency) factors. Risk behaviors include behaviors associated with unintentional injury, violence, mental health, tobacco use, alcohol use, drug use, sexual activity, physical activity, and nutrition. Protective or resiliency factors are measures of the positive and supportive relationships, experiences, activities, resources and values that encourage healthy youth development. Resiliency factors and related traits include caring and supportive relationships in the family, school, community and with peers; boundaries set by the family and school; positive peer support; meaningful participation and constructive use of time in school and outside of school.

## Using the Report

The main section of this report consists of a module of results for each main topic area of the YRRS. The risk behavior modules each start with a set of line charts illustrating change in behavior over the years of the survey (for counties that only have one recent year of data, the line charts are omitted). The line charts are followed by one or more set of three bar charts. The first bar chart in each set compares the county prevalence of a group of behaviors to the NM prevalence for the same behaviors; the second compares the county prevalence for girls to that of boys for the same behaviors, and the third compares the county prevalence for each grade level.

Following the section on distinct risk and resiliency factors is a section that illustrates the relationship between risk behaviors and protective factors. This section consists of a set of bar charts, each showing the prevalence of a particular risk behavior for students with varying levels of selected protective factors.

In some cases with very few students in a particular age or gender group, data have been suppressed to protect the anonymity of the individual respondents. Suppressed data are marked with "--". In cases where there are fewer than 25 respondents per grade level or gender, grade level or gender charts have been omitted.

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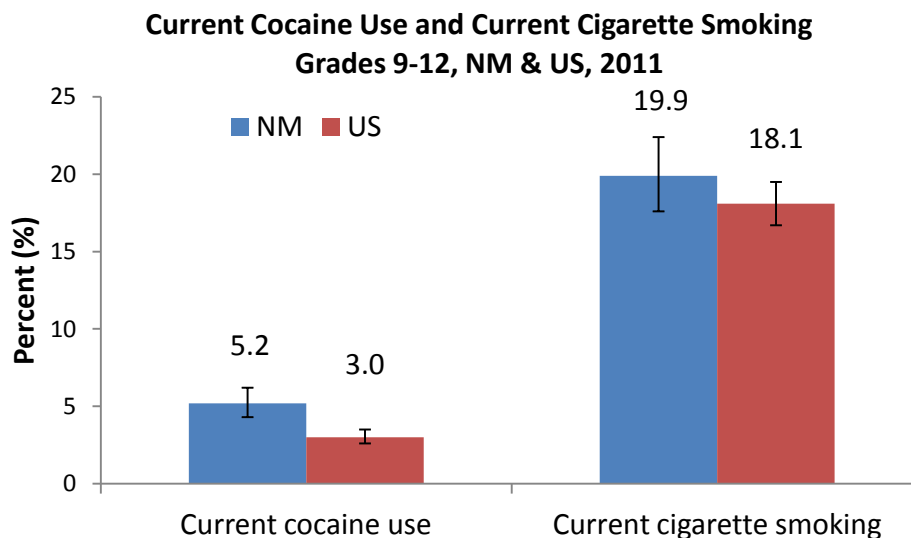
NOTE: County level YRRS reports are freely available. School district reports have been distributed to school district offices. School districts are encouraged to reproduce and share these reports with community groups concerned with prevention and health promotion. However, school district level results will not be released without express permission of the school district superintendent. Forms for requesting school district data are available at [www.YouthRisk.org](http://www.YouthRisk.org).

## Understanding the Charts - and A Word about Error Bars

The bar charts in this report present the percentage of students who reported engaging in any given risk behavior or who reported having any given protective factor. The height of the bars conveys the percentage of students reporting each trait, and provides a quick visual comparison between different groups of students reporting that trait. A label for each bar presents the actual percentage of students who reported each trait. For instance, the chart on page 24, Unintentional Injury, shows that 7.5% of students in New Mexico rarely or never wore seatbelts, while 8.4% of students in De Baca County rarely or never wore seatbelts.

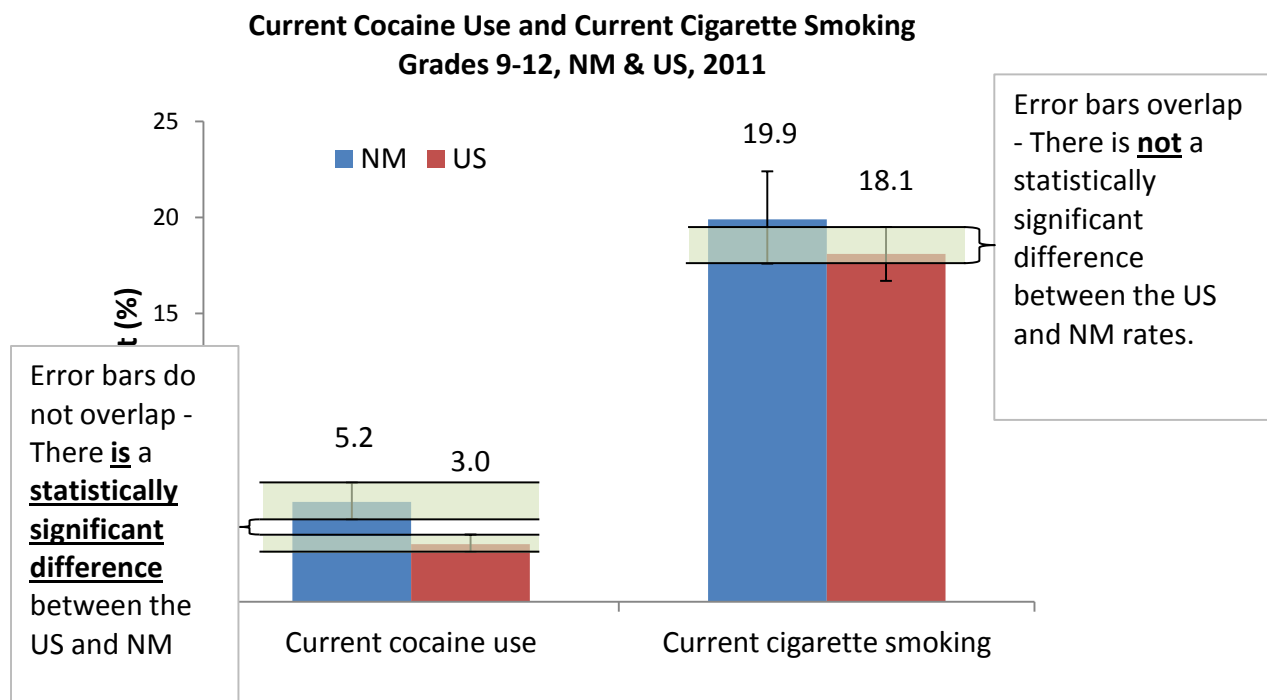
Because of the high cost and logistical complications involved in conducting a statewide survey, the YRRS was administered to a sample of students, rather than to every single student in each school district. Because YRRS data are from a **sample** of students, and not the entire student body, the results in this report are **estimates**. As with all estimates, there is some uncertainty associated with each of these results. On the charts in this report, this degree of uncertainty is represented by an error bar (or confidence interval). The error bar is the thin 'I' shaped line that extends above and below the end of each bar in a chart. One of the major influences on the size of the confidence interval or error bar is the number of participants in the survey. In general, this means that with more students participating in the survey, there will be a higher degree of confidence in the results (i.e., error bars will be smaller).

The proper interpretation of an error bar can be illustrated by looking at the chart below. This chart compares the high school prevalence of smoking and cocaine use for New Mexico to the United States prevalence for 2011. The chart shows that the prevalence of current smoking was 19.9% in New Mexico and 18.1% in the United States. The error bar for the estimate of current smoking among New Mexico students extends approximately 2 percentage points in either direction, from 17.6% to 22.4%. This means that we are confident that the actual percentage of smokers in this group of students was between 17.6% and 22.4%. The error bar for the estimate of current smoking in the US extends approximately 1.5 percentage points in either direction, from 16.7% to 19.5%. We are confident that the actual percentage of smokers among this group was between 16.7% and 19.5%.



How does knowing the upper and lower limits of our error bars help us? While it appears at first glance that New Mexico has a higher prevalence of smoking than the United States (19.9% vs. 18.1%), a closer look at the error bars shows a more complicated picture. The error bars for the New Mexico estimate (17.6%–22.4%) and the US estimate (16.7%–19.5%) overlap. Because of this overlap, we do not have a high degree of confidence that the prevalence of smoking in New Mexico is actually different from the prevalence in the United States. In other words, the difference between the prevalence of smoking in New Mexico and the United States is not statistically significant.

For cocaine use it also appears that New Mexico had a higher prevalence than the United States (5.2% vs. 3.0%). The error bar for New Mexico extends from 4.3% to 6.2%, and the error bar for the United States extends from 2.6% to 3.5%. Because the higher bound of the US error bar (3.5%) is lower than the lower bound of the NM error bar (4.3%), these error bars do not overlap. For cocaine use, we are confident in saying that the New Mexico prevalence was higher than the US prevalence. In other words, the difference between the prevalence of cocaine use in New Mexico and the United States was a statistically significant difference.



For some small school districts, error bars have been removed from this report. With small populations, the number of students sampled can approach the total student population. In these cases, error bars would have limited meaning because with a high percentage of students surveyed, there is less uncertainty around the estimates than error bars suggest.

**Risk Behavior and Resiliency/Protective Factor Definitions**Unintentional Injury

Rarely or never wore a bike helmet

Of those who rode a bicycle, answered 'Never' or 'Rarely' to the question, *When you ride*

Rarely or never wore a seatbelt

Answered 'Never' or 'Rarely' to the question, *How often do you wear a seat belt when*

Ever rode in a car with a drinking driver

Answered 'Yes' to the question, *Have you ever ridden in a car driven by someone who*

Violence-Related Behaviors

Ever carried a weapon, such as a gun, knife, or club

Answered 'Yes' to the question, *Have you ever carried a weapon, such as a gun, knife, or*

Ever been in a physical fight

Answered 'Yes' to the question, *Have you ever been in a physical fight?*

Ever bullied on school property

Answered 'Yes' to the question, *Have you ever been bullied on school property?*

Ever bullied electronically

Answered 'Yes' to the question, *Have you ever been electronically bullied? (Include being*

Mental Health

Ever seriously thought about killing self

Answered 'Yes' to the question, *Have you ever seriously thought about killing*

Ever planned to kill self

Answered 'Yes' to the question, *Have you ever made a plan about how you would*

Ever tried to kill self

Answered 'Yes' to the question, *Have you ever tried to kill yourself?*

Tobacco Use

Ever smoked cigarettes

Answered 'Yes' to the question, *Have you ever tried cigarette smoking, even*

First smoked a cigarette before age 11

Answered '10 years old' or younger to the question, *How old were you when*

Smoked at least one whole cigarette in life

Answered '1 cigarette' or more to the question, *About how many cigarettes*

Current cigarette smoking (Smoked cigarettes at least once in the past 30 days)

Answered '1 or 2 days' or more to the question, *During the past 30 days,*

Non-smoker

Answered '0 days' to the question, *During the past 30 days, on how many*

Frequent cigarette smoking

Answered '20 to 29 days' or more to the question, *During the past 30 days,*

Smoked on school property

Answered '1 or 2 days' or more to the question, *During the past 30 days,*

Marlboro is usual brand among current cigarette smokers

Of current cigarette smokers, answered 'Marlboro' to the question, *During the past 30*

Of those who smoked in the past 12 months, tried to quit smoking

Answered 'Yes' to the question, *During the past 12 months, did you ever try*

Successful quit attempt by one who smoked in the past 12 months

Answered 'Yes' to the question, *During the past 12 months, did you ever try*

- and -

Answered '0 days' to the question, *During the past 30 days, on how many days*



Unsuccessful quit attempt by one who smoked in the past 12 months

Answered 'Yes' to the question, *During the past 12 months, did you ever try*  
- and -

Answered '1 or 2 days' or more to the question, *During the past 30 days,*

Current cigar smoking

Answered '1 or 2 days' or more to the question, *During the past 30 days,*

Current spit tobacco use

Answered '1 or 2 days' or more to the question, *During the past 30 days,*

In the same room with a smoker in the past 7 days

Answered '1 or 2 days' or more to the question, *During the past 7 days, on how*

Will definitely or probably smoke cigarettes in the next year

Answered 'Probably yes' or 'Definitely yes' to the question, *Do you think you will*

Would definitely or probably smoke if best friend offered

Answered 'Probably yes' or 'Definitely yes' to the question, *If one of your best*

Saw ads about smoking danger in the past 30 days

Answered '1 to 3 times during the past 30 days' or more to the question,

Believes smoke from other people's cigarettes is definitely harmful

Answered 'Definitely yes' to the question, *Do you think smoke from other people's*

#### Alcohol Use

Ever drank alcohol

Answered 'Yes' to the question, *Have you ever had a drink of alcohol, other*

Drank alcohol before age 11

Answered '10 years old' or younger to the question, *How old were you when*

Current drinking

Answered '1 or 2 days' or more to the question, *During the past 30 days,*

Binge drinking (Had 5 or more drinks on a single occasion at least once in the past 30 days)

Answered '1 day' or more to the question, *During the past 30 days, on how*

It would be very easy or sort of easy to get alcohol

Answered 'Very easy' or 'Sort of easy' to the question, *If you wanted to get*

My parents think my regular alcohol use would be wrong

Answered 'Very wrong' or 'Wrong' to the question, *How wrong do your parents*

I think regular alcohol use by people my age is very wrong

Answered 'Very wrong' or 'Wrong' to the question, *How wrong do you think it*

People face great risk from daily alcohol use

Answered *great risk* to the question, *How much do you think people risk*

#### Drug use

Ever used marijuana

Answered 'Yes' to the question, *Have you ever used marijuana?*

First used marijuana before age 11

Answered '10 years old' or younger to the question, *How old were you when*

Current marijuana use

Answered '1 or 2 times' or more to the question, *During the past 30 days,*

Ever used a prescription drug without a doctor's prescription

Answered 'Yes' to the question, *Have you ever taken a prescription drug*

Ever used a painkiller to get high

Answered 'Yes' to the question, *Have you ever used a pain killer to get high, like*

Ever used cocaine

Answered 'Yes' to the question, *Have you ever used any form of cocaine,*

Ever used inhalants

Answered 'Yes' to the question, *Have you ever sniffed glue, or breathed the*

Ever used illegal injection drugs

Answered 'Yes' to the question, *Have you ever used a needle to inject any*

### Sexual Activity

Ever had sexual intercourse

Answered 'Yes' to the question, *Have you ever had sexual intercourse?*

Had sexual intercourse before age 11

Answered '10 years old' or younger to the question, *How old were you when*

Had sexual intercourse with three or more people in lifetime

Answered '3 people' or more to the question, *With how many people have*

Used a condom (among those who ever had sexual intercourse)

Answered 'Yes' to the question, *The last time you had sexual intercourse,*

- among those who -

Answered 'Yes' to the question, *Have you ever had sexual intercourse?*

Taught about HIV/AIDS

Answered 'Yes' to the question, *Have you ever been taught about AIDS or HIV*

### Body Weight and Weight Control

Self-described as slightly or very overweight

Answered 'Very overweight' or 'Slightly overweight' to the question, *How do*

Trying to lose weight

Answered 'Lose weight' to the question, *Which of the following are you trying*

Ever fasted to lose weight

Answered 'Yes' to the question, *Have you ever gone without eating for 24 hours*

Ever vomited or used laxatives to lose weight

Answered 'Yes' to the question, *Have you ever vomited or taken laxatives to*

### Physical Activity

No days of physical activity per week

Answered '0 days' to the question, *During the past 7 days, on how many days*

Five days of physical activity per week

Answered '5 days' or more to the question, *During the past 7 days, on how many*

Daily physical activity

Answered '7 days' to the question, *During the past 7 days, on how many*

At least one day/week of physical education

Answered '1 day' or more to the question, *In an average week when you are*

Daily physical education at school

Answered '5 days' to the question, *In an average week when you are in school,*

### Resiliency/Protective Factors

Unless otherwise noted, responses in the resiliency/protective factor sections of this report refer to





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