

Substance Use Among Chicago High School Students



Student Health
and Wellness

SMOKING

11.5%

HAVE EVER TRIED
SMOKING A CIGARETTE

VAPING

30.2%

HAVE EVER USED
AN ELECTRONIC
VAPOR PRODUCT
(EVP)



12.6%

USED AN EVP IN
THE LAST 30 DAYS

MARIJUANA

29.3%

HAVE EVER USED
MARIJUANA



**CURRENT CIGARETTE
USE HAS DECREASED**
FROM 24.7% IN 2001
TO 2.0% IN 2023



**CURRENT MARIJUANA
USE HAS DECREASED**
FROM 28.7% IN 2001
TO 16.6% IN 2023



41.6%

RODE WITH A
DRIVER WHO HAD
BEEN DRINKING

ALCOHOL

14.3%

HAD THEIR FIRST
DRINK BEFORE
THE AGE 13



19.2%

HAVE DRANK
ALCOHOL IN THE
PAST 30 DAYS

OTHER DRUG USE

1.2%

HAVE EVER USED
COCAINE

11.8%

HAVE EVER MISUSED A
PRESCRIPTION PAIN
MEDICINE

4.8%

HAVE EVER MISUSED A
PRESCRIPTION
MEDICATION

3.9%

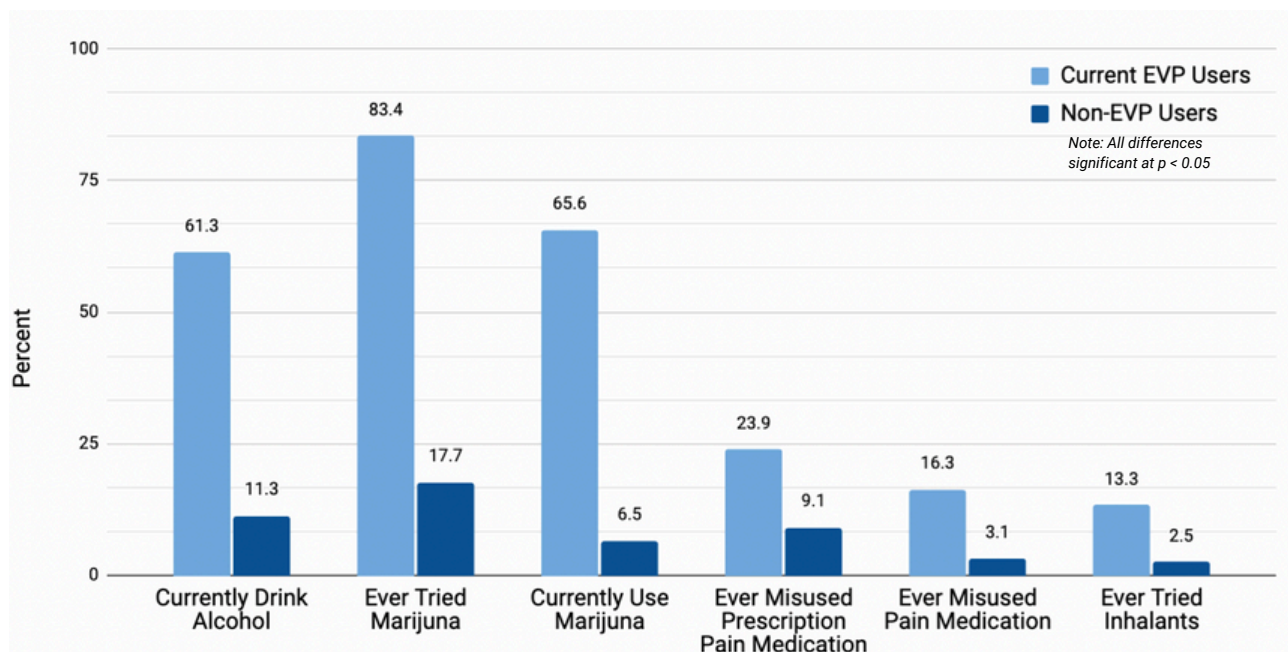
HAVE EVER USED
INHALANTS

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Substance Use by Current EVP Use in Chicago Public School High School Students:



Available Resources

[Findtreatment.gov](https://findtreatment.gov)

Confidential resource for persons seeking treatment for mental and substance use disorders in the United States

[Illinois Help Line](https://illinois.gov/help-line)

The only statewide public resource for finding substance use and problem gambling treatment and recovery services in Illinois, available 24/7 at (833-234-6343)

[2-1-1 Metro Chicago](https://211metrochicago.org)

A free, easy-to-access helpline that serves as an information and referral resource, helping connect individuals to a variety of services.

[National Institute of Drug Abuse \(NIDA\) for Teens](https://teens.drugabuse.gov)

Find the latest science-based information about drug use, health, and the developing brain. Designed for young people and those who influence them, these resources inspire learning and encourage critical thinking so teens can make informed decisions about drug use and their health

[Centers for Disease Control \(CDC\)](https://www.cdc.gov/tobacco/parentalguidance)

Factsheet available to help parents talk to their teens about cigarettes and vaping

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