

Every year a self-report student survey of substance use and school safety is administered to a random, representative sample of AISD students. The survey is used to track student knowledge, attitudes, and self-reported behavior over time. In the spring of 2011 a sample of 8,480 students in grades 6-substance use and safety issues, yielding a response rate of 73%.<sup>1</sup> All item results are attached.

When it is not feasible to survey an entire population, samples are used instead. However, when a sample is used to make inferences about a population the results must be interpreted with caution. For example, although 87% of a sample may select a particular survey response, this does not necessarily mean 87% of the entire population feels the same way. To interpret the sample data cautiously, we have used the following information to construct an interval that describes the range within which the result for your campus population is likely to fall:

Population size: In this case, the number of students at your campus.

Sample size: In this case, the number of survey respondents from your campus.

Desired level of confidence: In this case, 95%.

The 95% confidence interval is commonly used, indicating that you can be 95% confident that the true population result will fall within the constructed interval.

To make inferences about your campus population using the sample data, the results should be interpreted with the computed confidence interval of 4 percentage points on each side of the sample statistics. For example, in 2011, 13% of respondents from your campus indicated that their friends belonged to gangs (see Q16, p.9). Applying the confidence interval (i.e., adding and subtracting percentage points) to the 13% yields a range of 9% - 17%. Therefore, you can be 95% confident that somewhere between 9% - 17% of all students at your campus would indicate that their friends belong to a gang. When making comparisons between item results from year to year, please remember that small changes may have occurred by chance alone. The confidence interval for 2010 was 6 percentage points. Therefore, only differences of 10 percentage points or greater (6%+4%) should be considered statistically significant when comparing the results from two different years.

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<sup>1</sup> A total of 9,004 surveys were returned to the Department of Program Evaluation from an original sample of 11,660 students. Of those returned, 524 surveys were removed from analysis due to invalid responses.

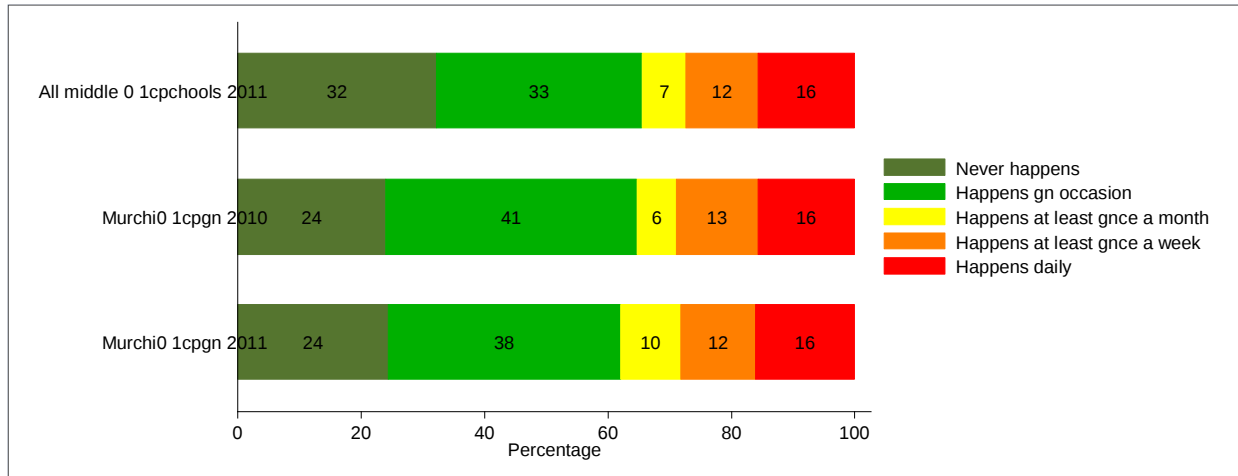


Q5. How often do you participate in other after school programs (e.g. clubs, art, technology, leadership, dance, etc.) ? 2

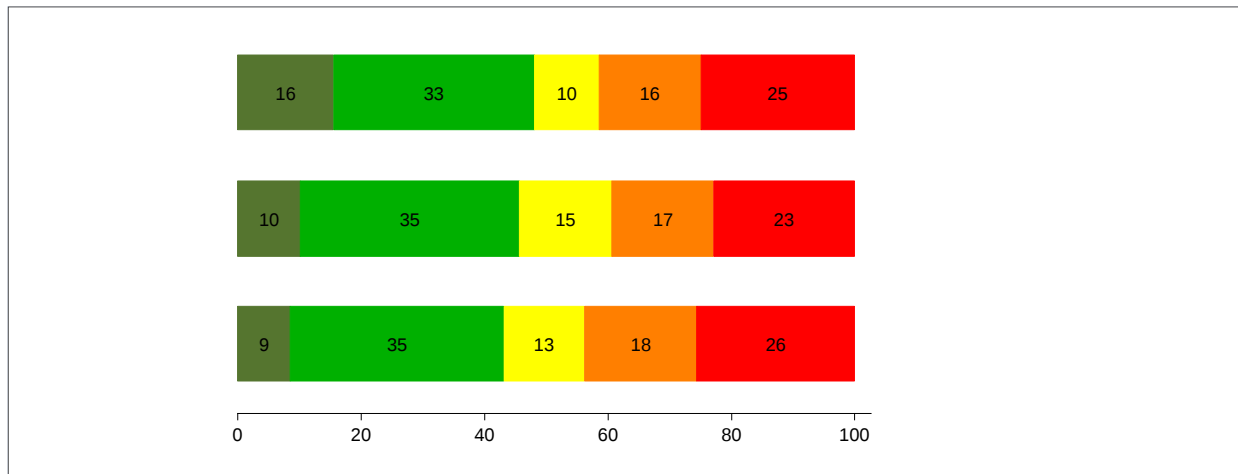
Q26: Of the following, which do you consider to be the most serious problem on your campus?



Q15a: How often does racial tension occur at your school?



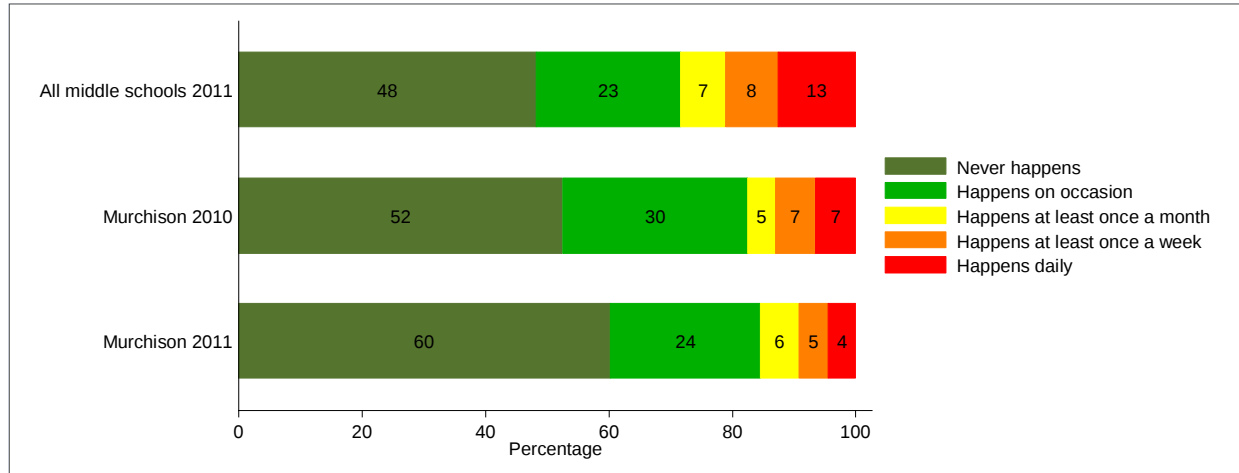
Q15b: How often does student bullying occur at your school?



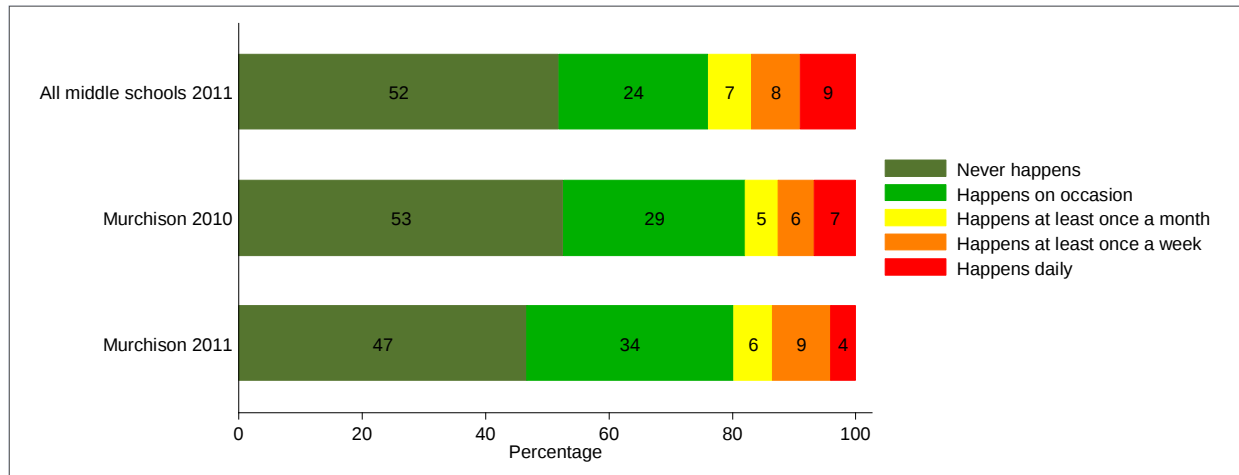
Q15c: How often do acts of disrespect for teachers occur at your school?



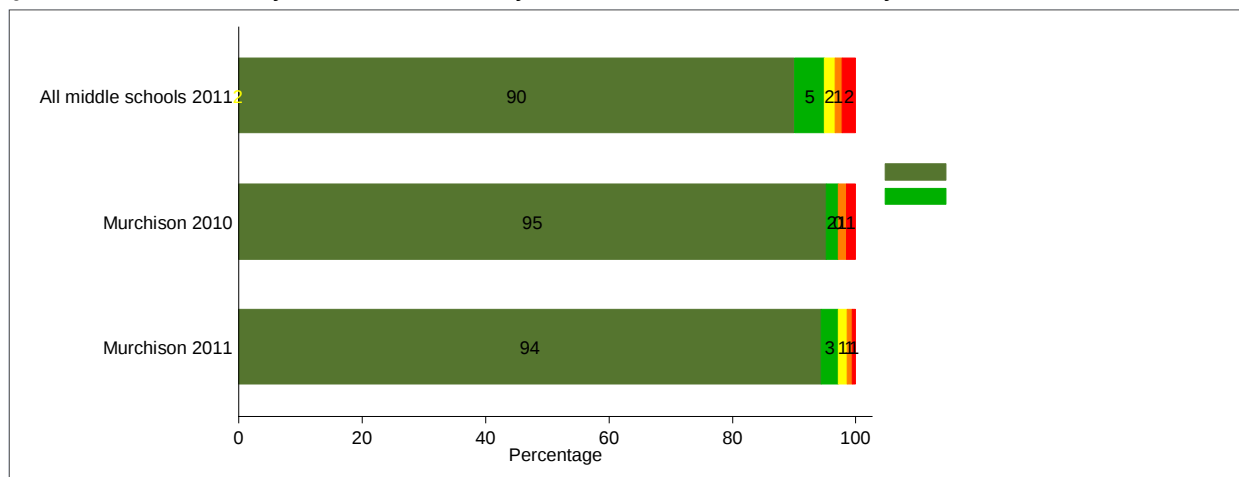
Q15d: How often do gang activities occur at your school?



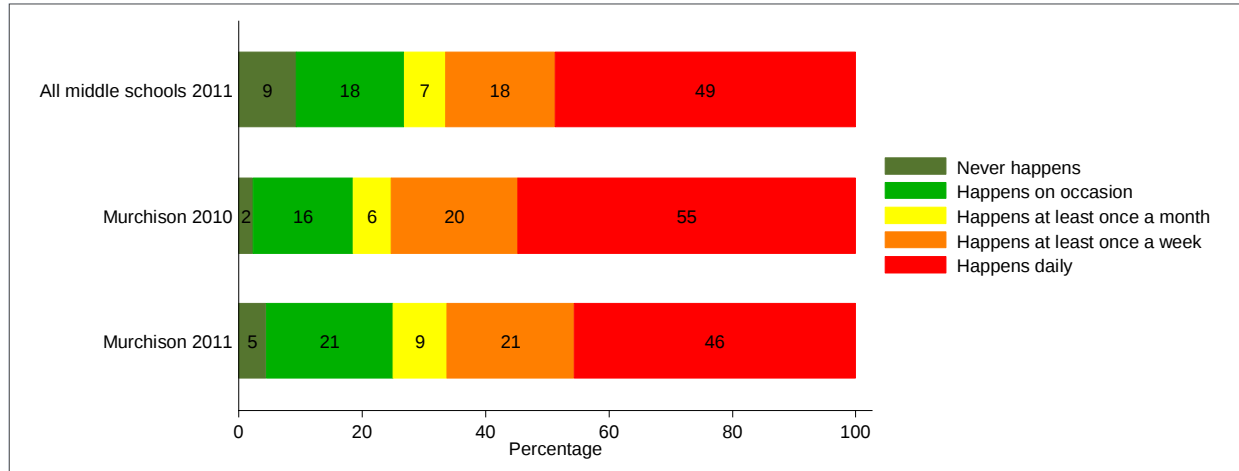
Q15e: How often have you experienced any type of bullying at your school?



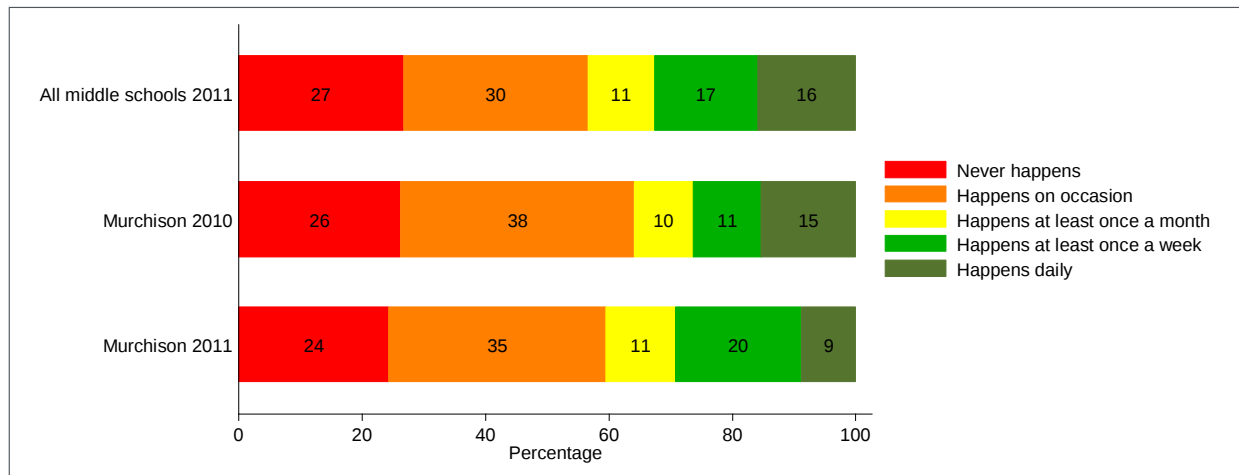
Q15f: How often were you absent because you did not feel safe on the way to/from school?



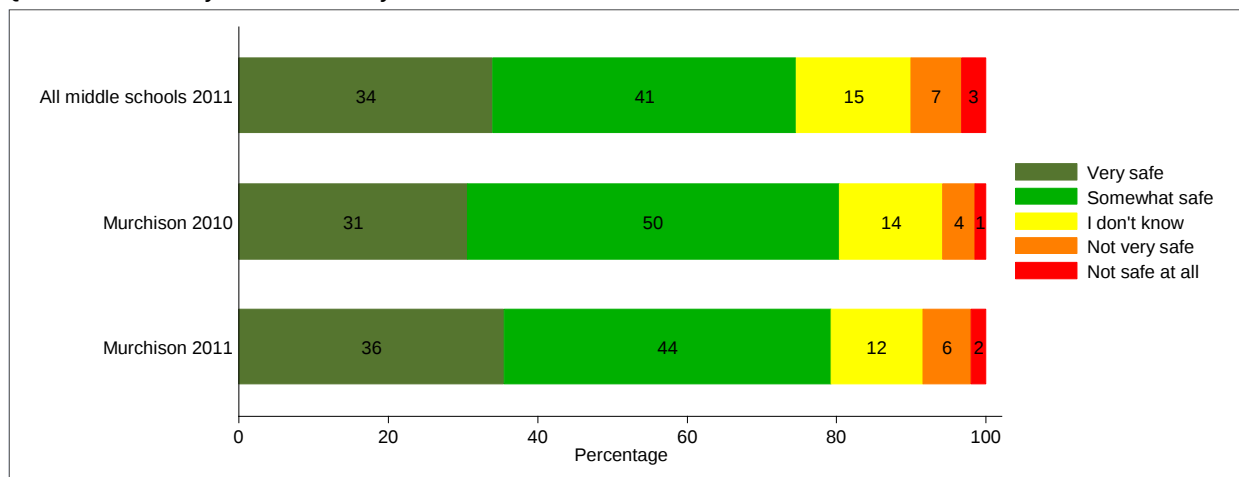
Q15g: How often does your teacher have to interrupt class to deal with student misbehavior?



Q15h: Do teachers or staff give you praise or rewards for good behavior?

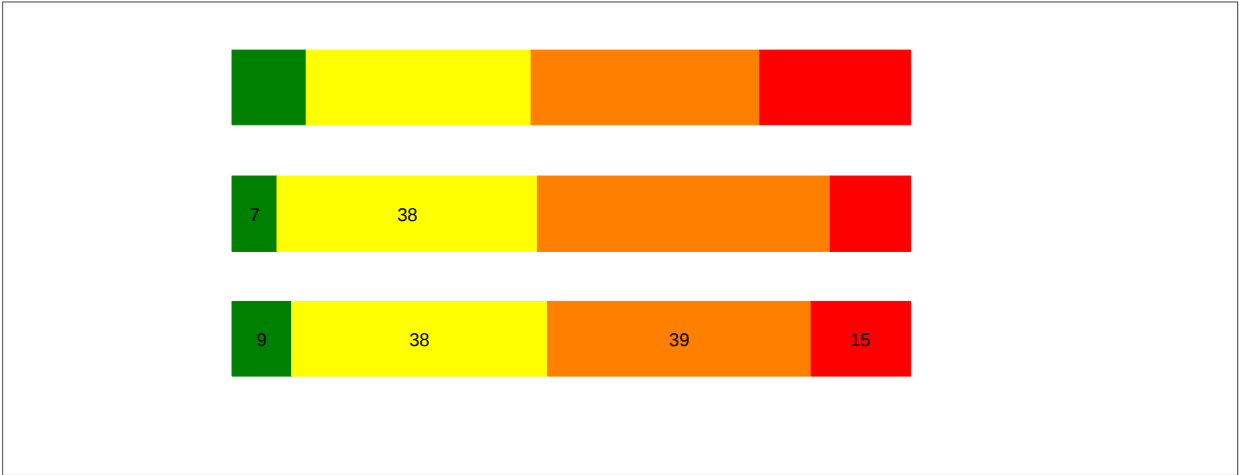


Q8: How safe do you feel when you are at school?

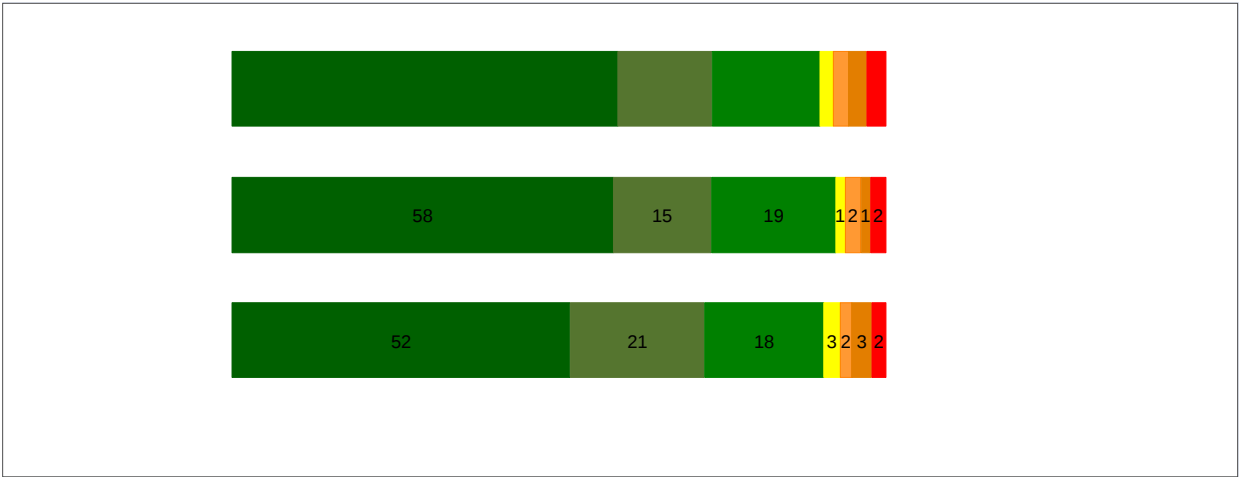




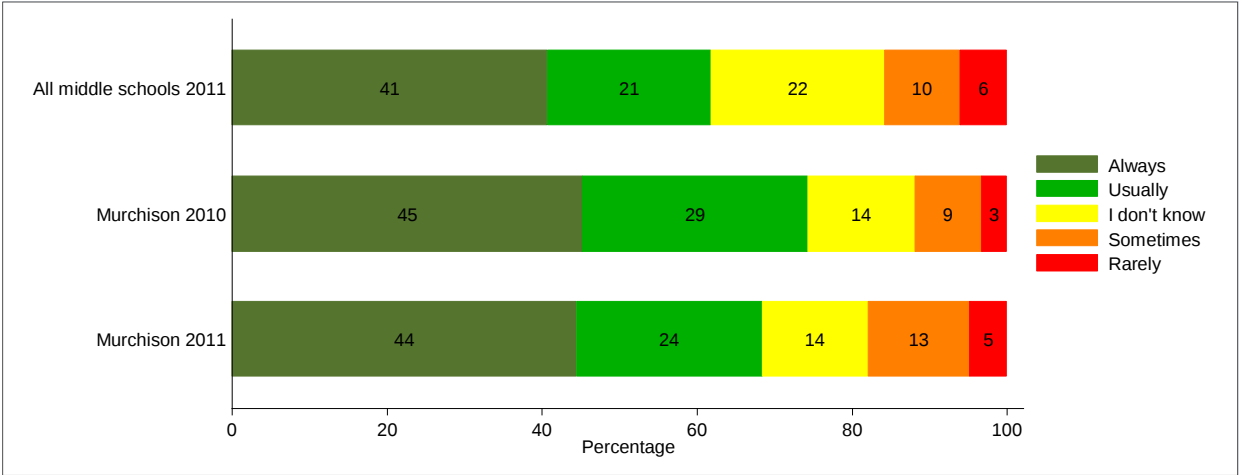
Q12: How big a problem do you think bullying is at your school?



Q11: During this school year, how often have you or your close friends been physically harmed or threatened with physical harm by another student at your school?



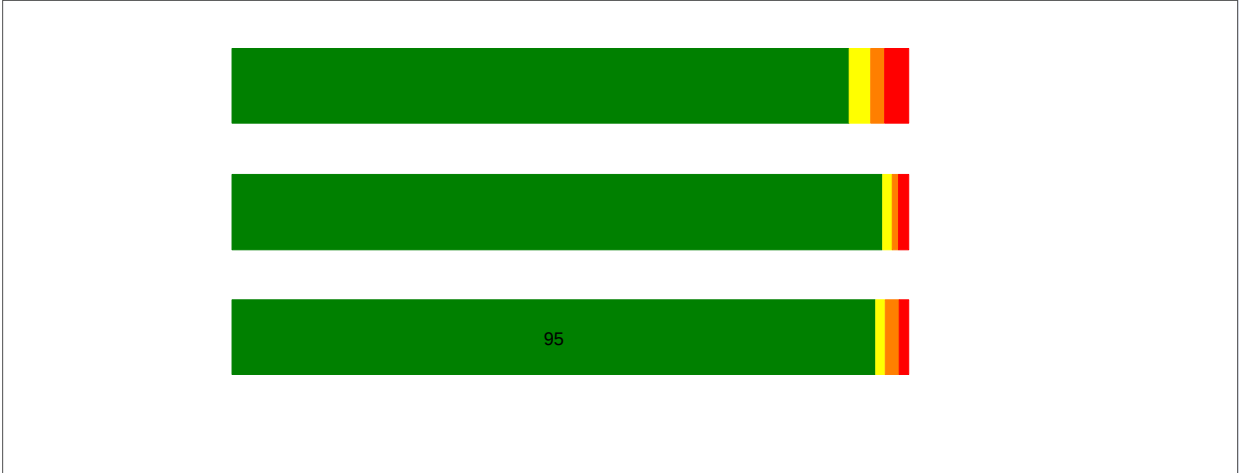
Q14: Are school rules about verbal or physical assaults or fighting enforced by school staff?



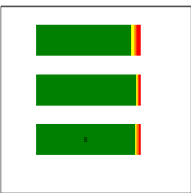
Q16-Q17: Do any of your friends belong to a gang? During this school year, did you take part in any gang activities?



Q18a: What is the most recent you have used Tobacco?

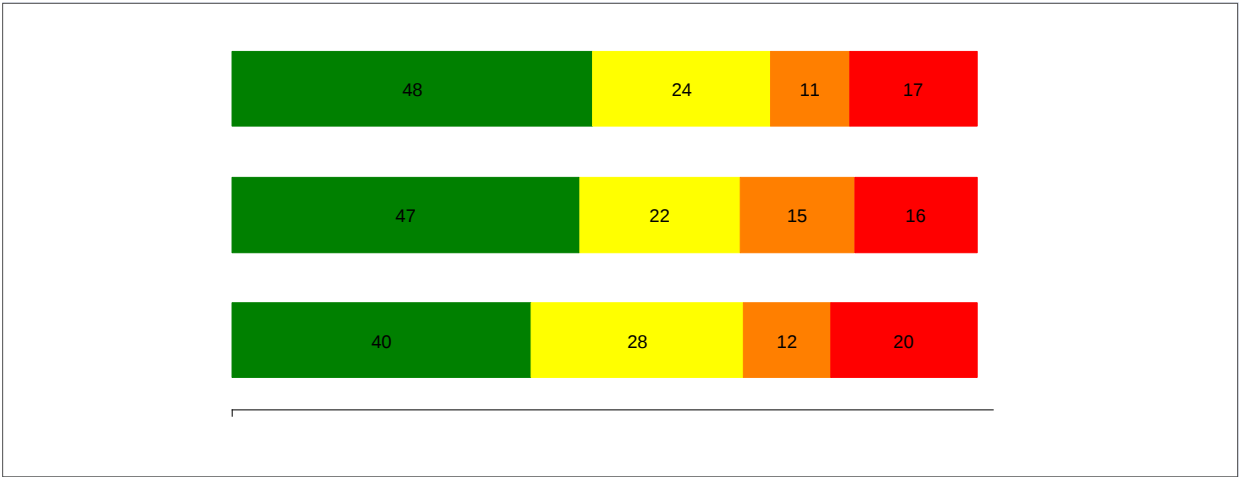


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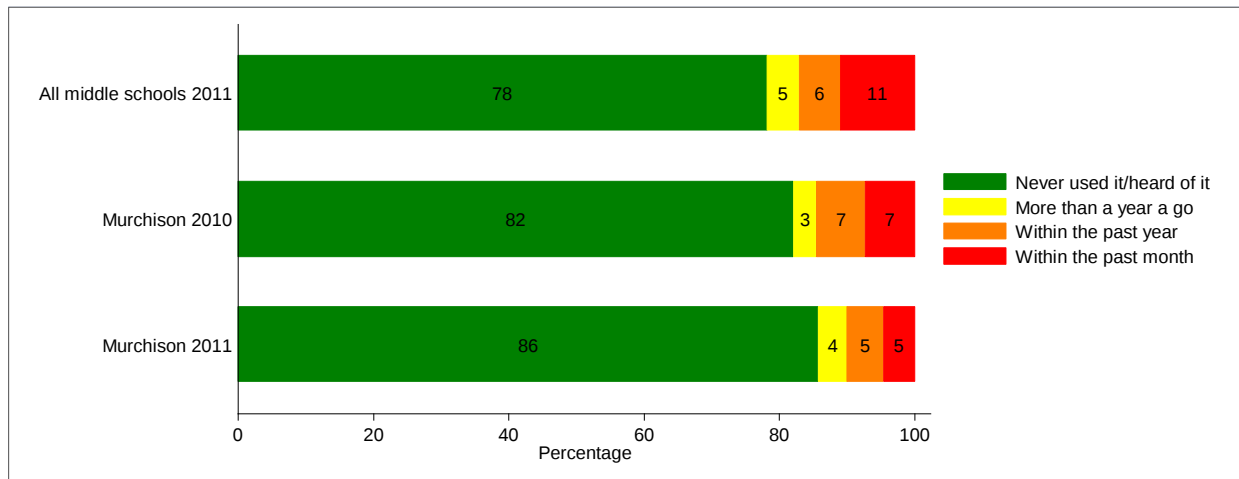


Q27a: How dangerous is it for kids your age to use Tobacco?

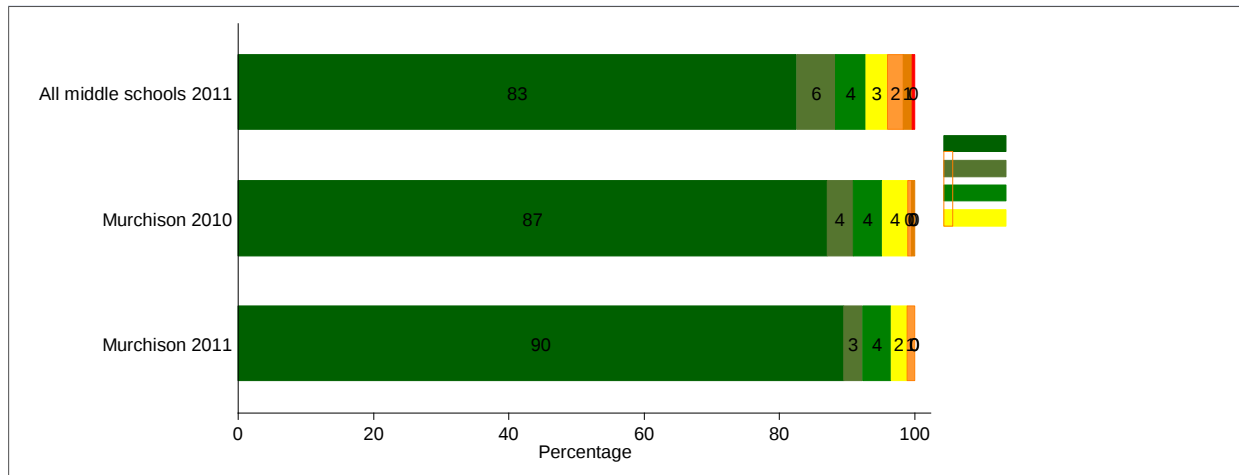
Q28g. During the school year, how many times have you experienced advertisements (TV, radio, billboard, magazine, internet, etc.) for tobacco products?



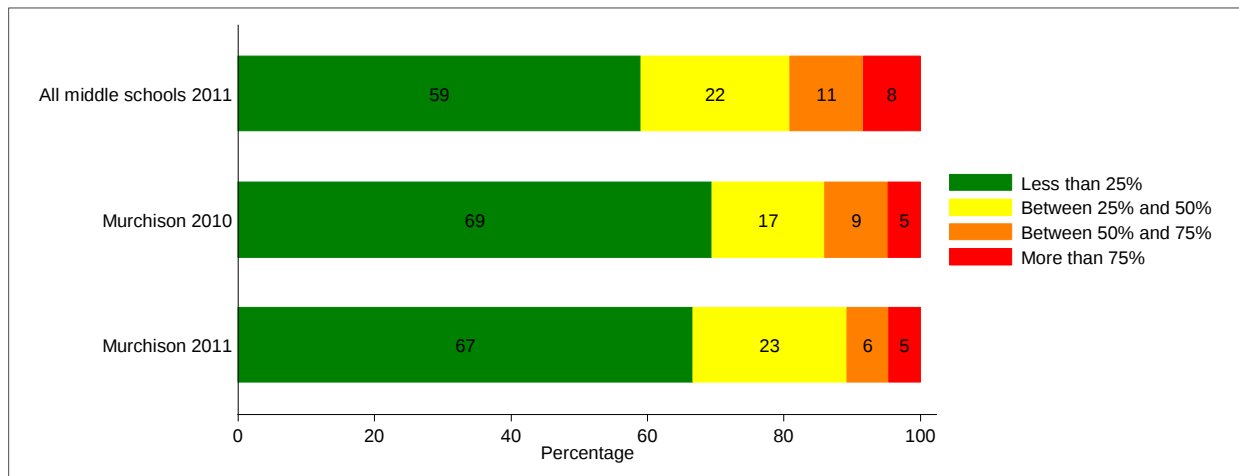
Q18b: What is the most recent you have used Alcohol?



Q21b: During this year, how often did you use Alcohol?

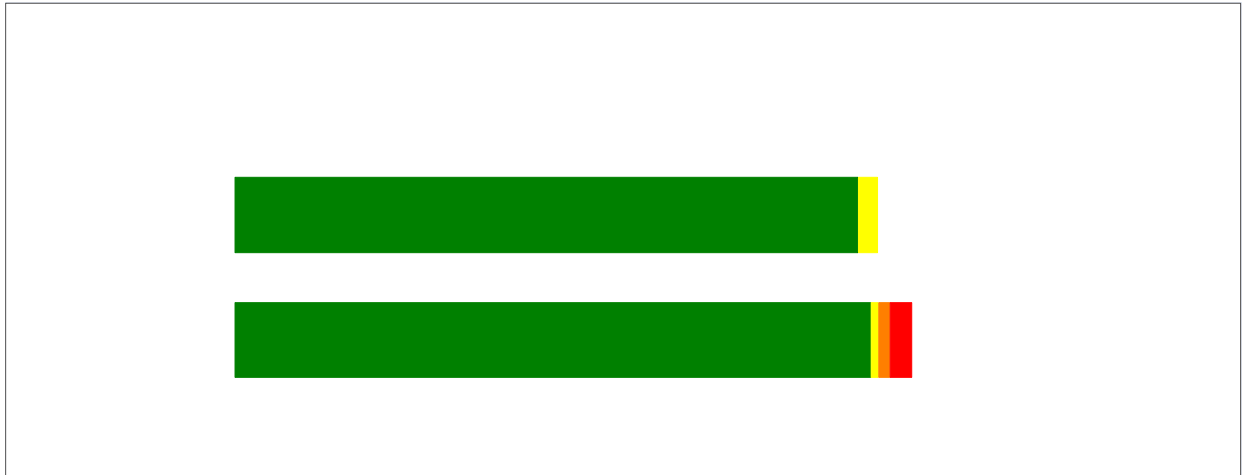


Q29b. Within the past month, how many kids at your school do you think have used alcohol?





Q18c: What is the most recent you have used Marijuana?

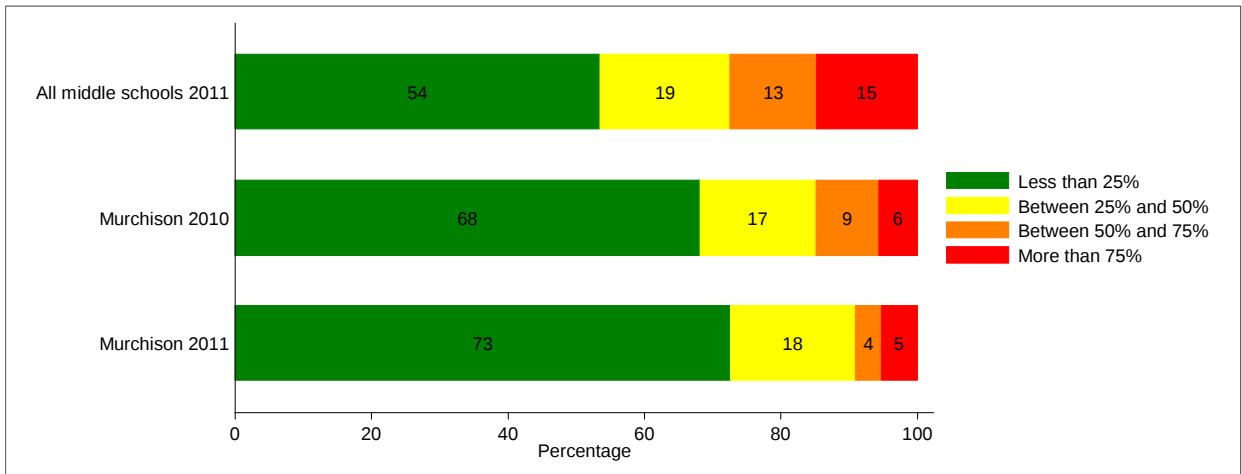


Q21c: During this year, how often did you use Marijuana?

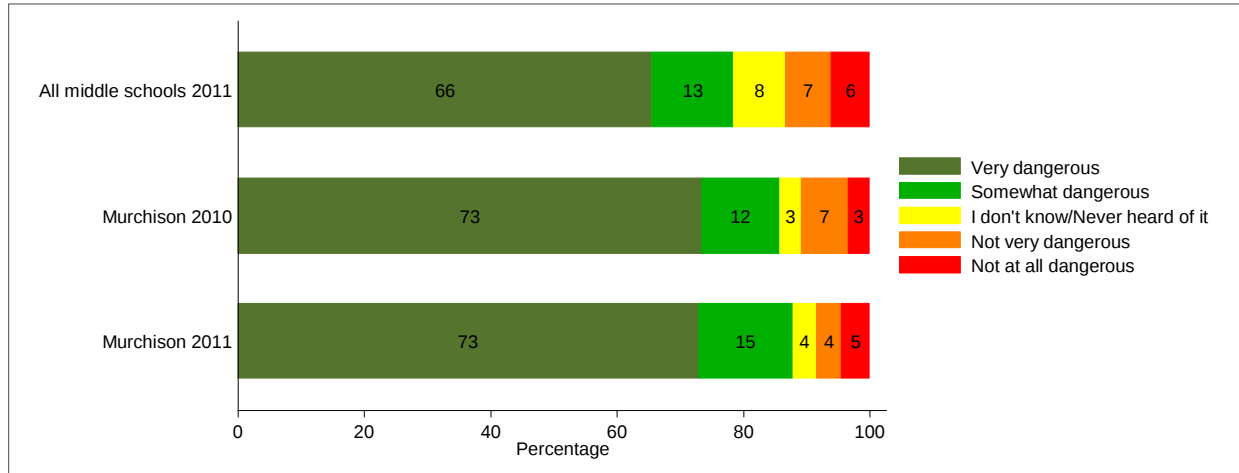


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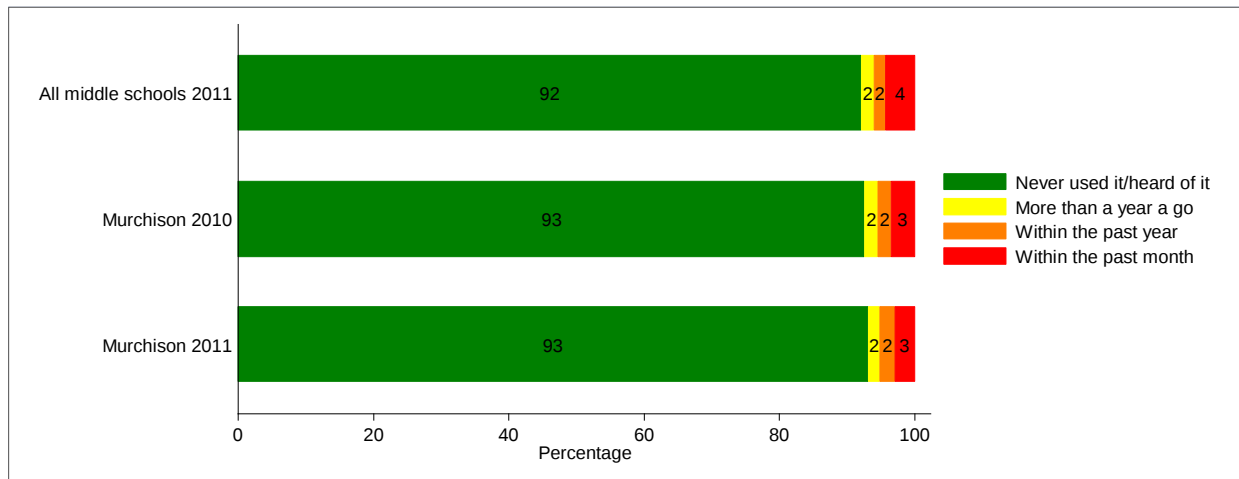
Q29c. Within the past month, how many kids at your school do you think have used marijuana?



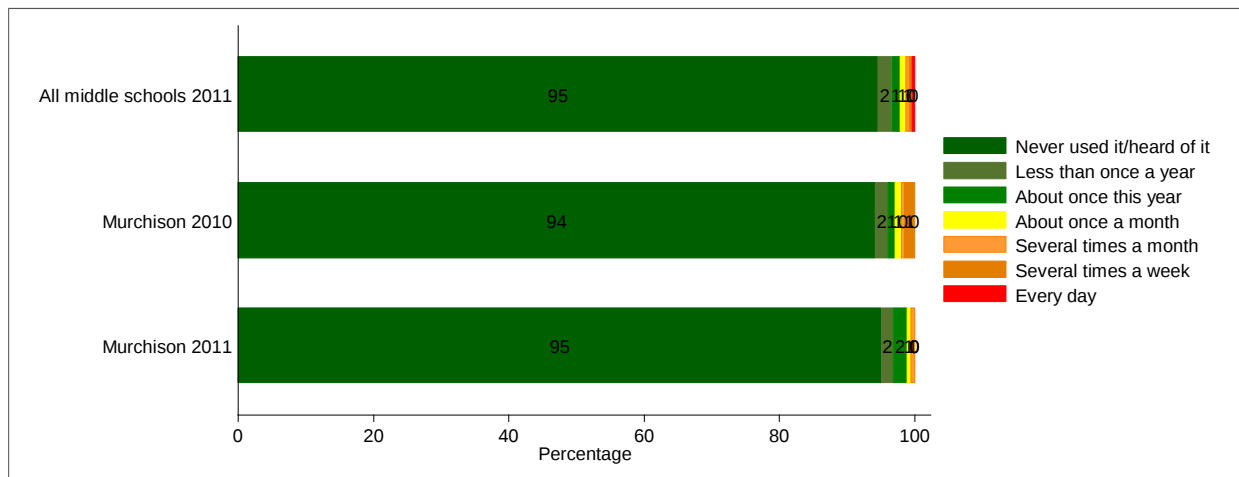
Q27c: How dangerous is it for kids your age to use Marijuana?



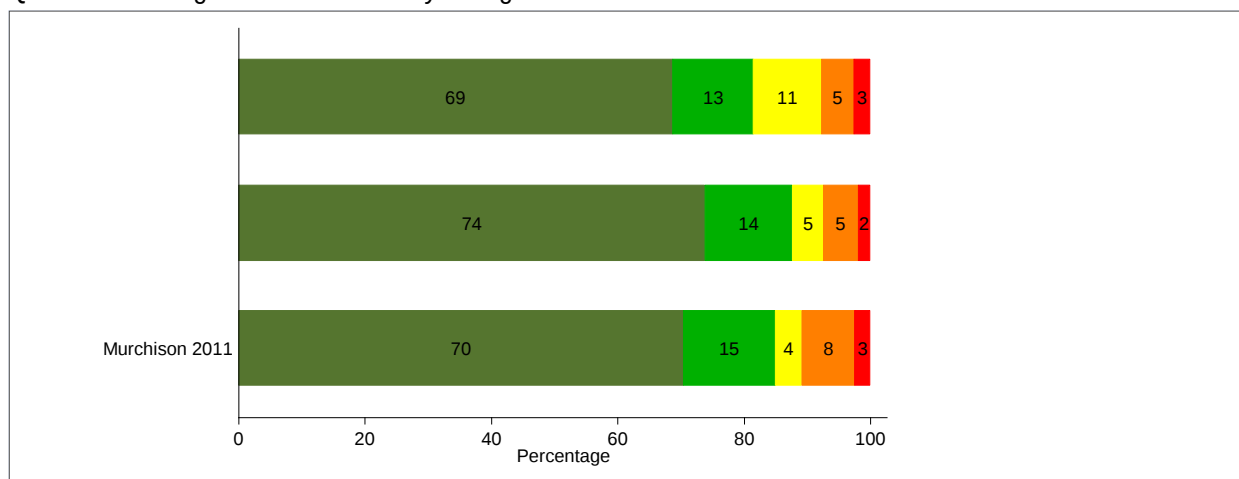
Q18d: What is the most recent you have used Inhalants?



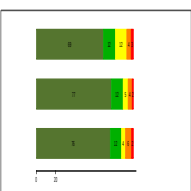
Q21d: During this year, how often did you use Inhalants?



Q27d: How dangerous is it for kids your age to use Inhalants?



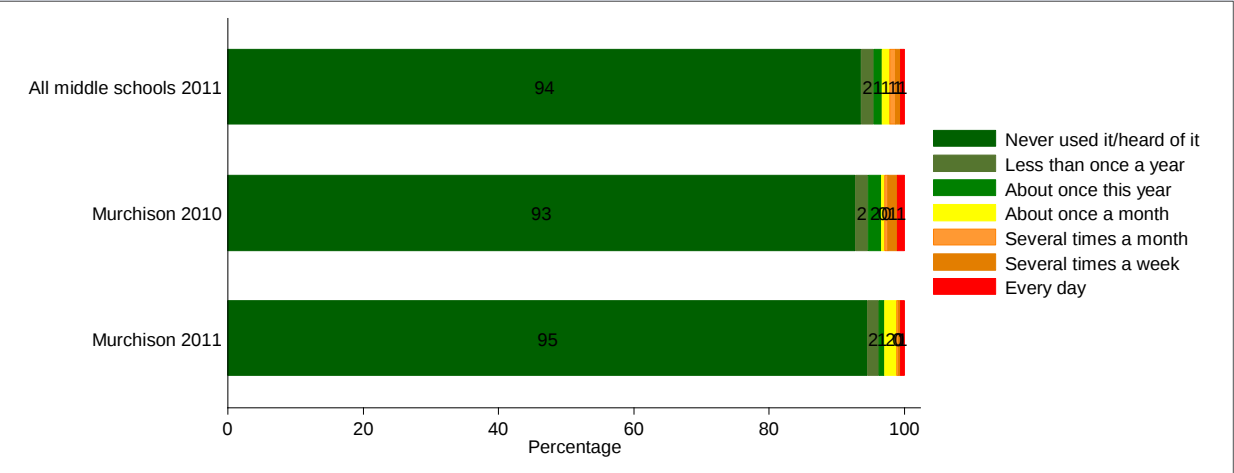
Q18e: What is the most recent you have used Over the Counter M1 1(M1 1BiON)tv (s )8uther e 5(h)3(g)-6(et)9(h)3(av)-(s



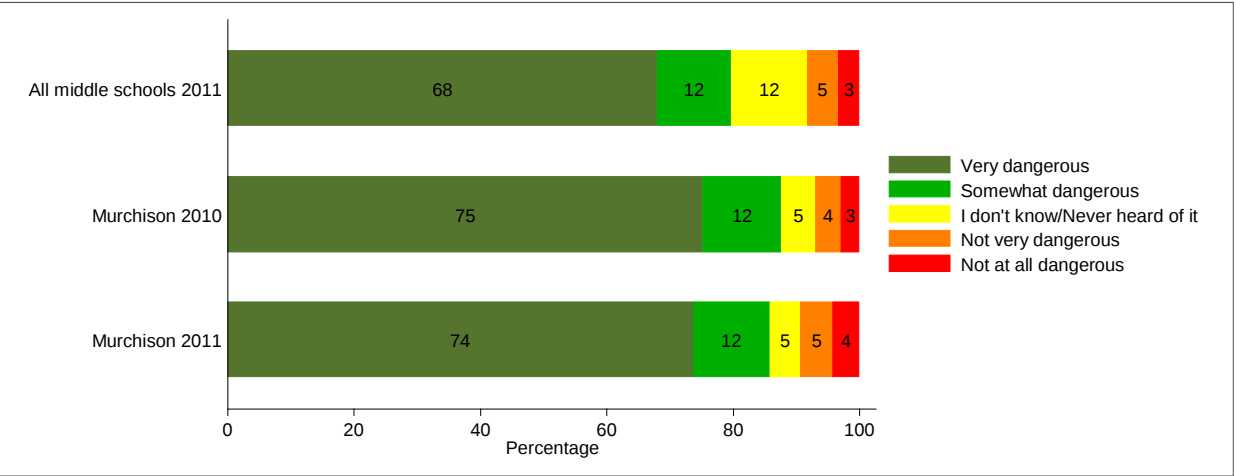
Q18f: What is the most recent you have used Prescription Drugs that were not prescribed to you to get high?



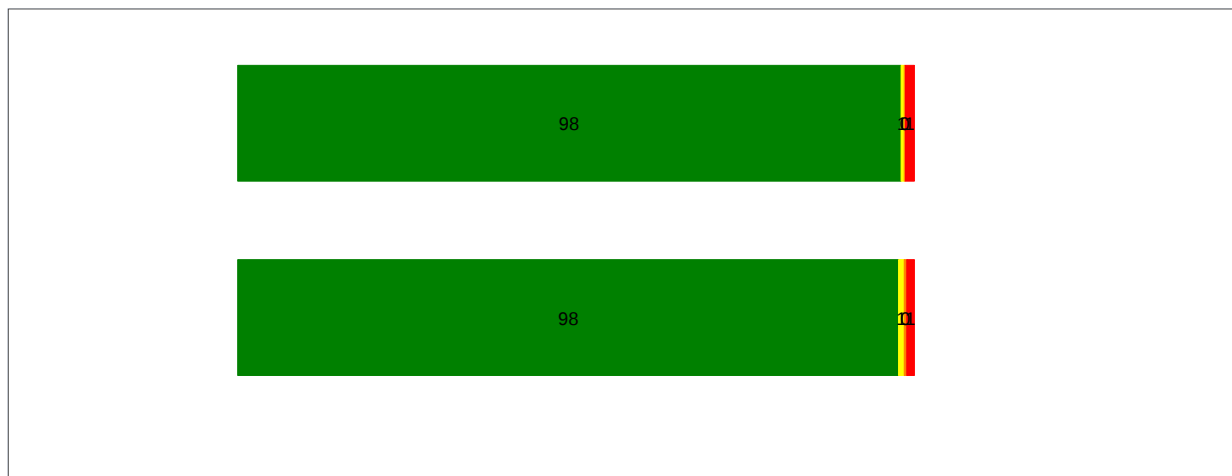
Q21f: During this year, how often did you use Prescription Drugs that were not prescribed to you to get high?



Q27f: How dangerous is it for kids your age to use Prescription Drugs that were not prescribed to you to get high?

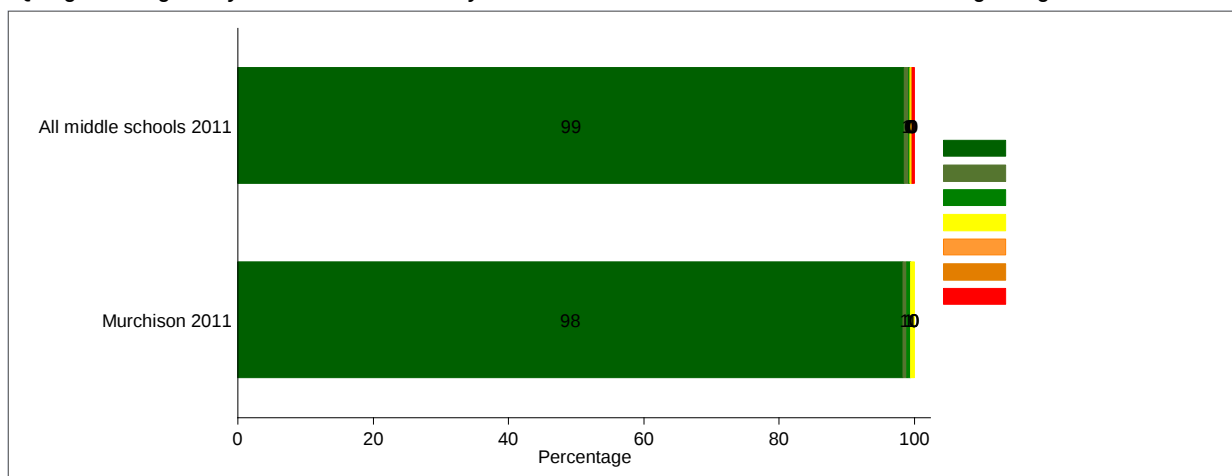


Q18g: What is the most recent you have used Steroids or Performance Enhancing Drugs?



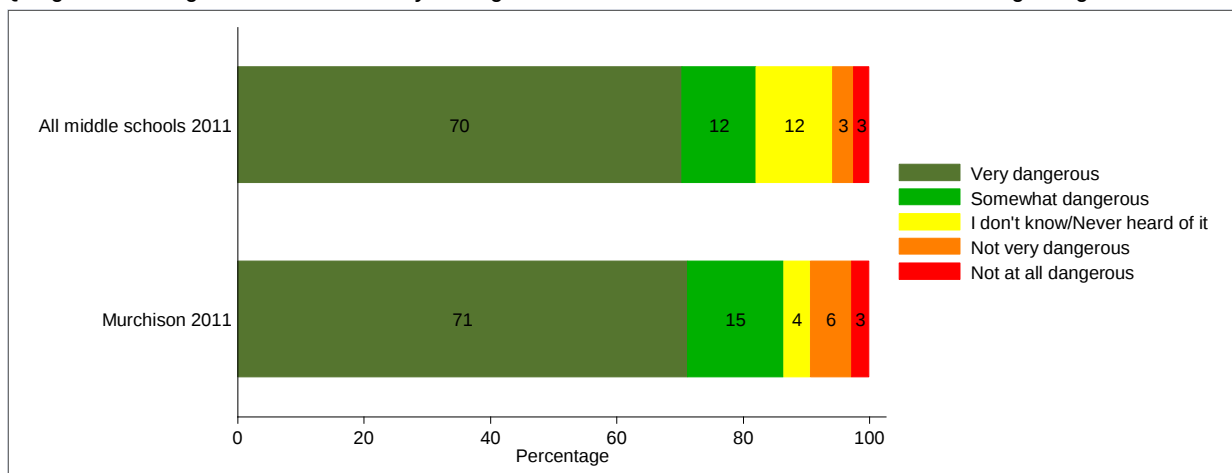
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Q21g: During this year, how often did you use Steroids or Performance Enhancing Drugs?



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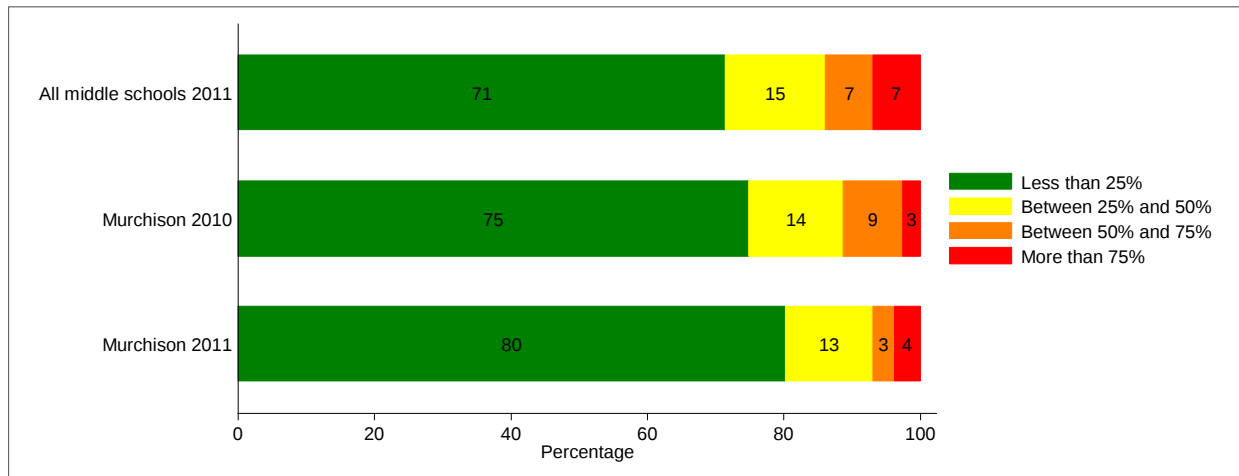
Q27g: How dangerous is it for kids your age to use Steroids or Performance Enhancing Drugs?



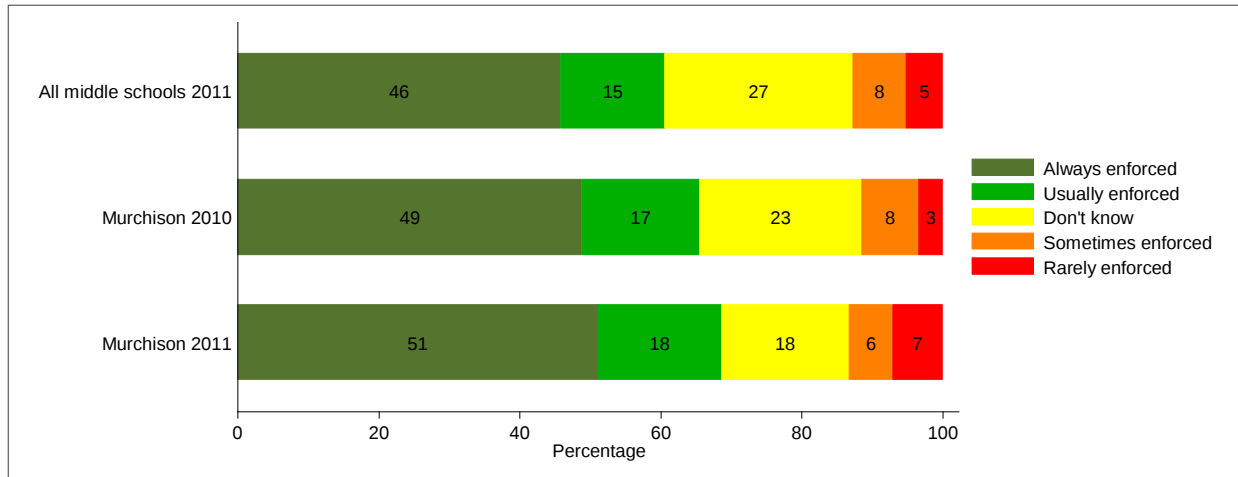
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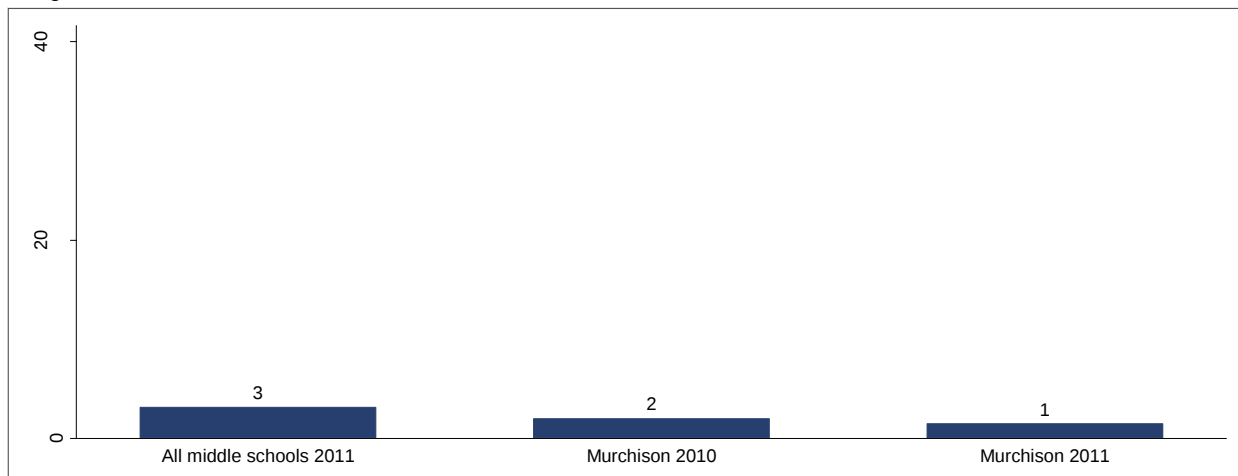
Q29d. Within the past month, how many kids at your school do you think have used other illegal drugs (e.g., cocaine, ecstasy, heroin, etc.) ?



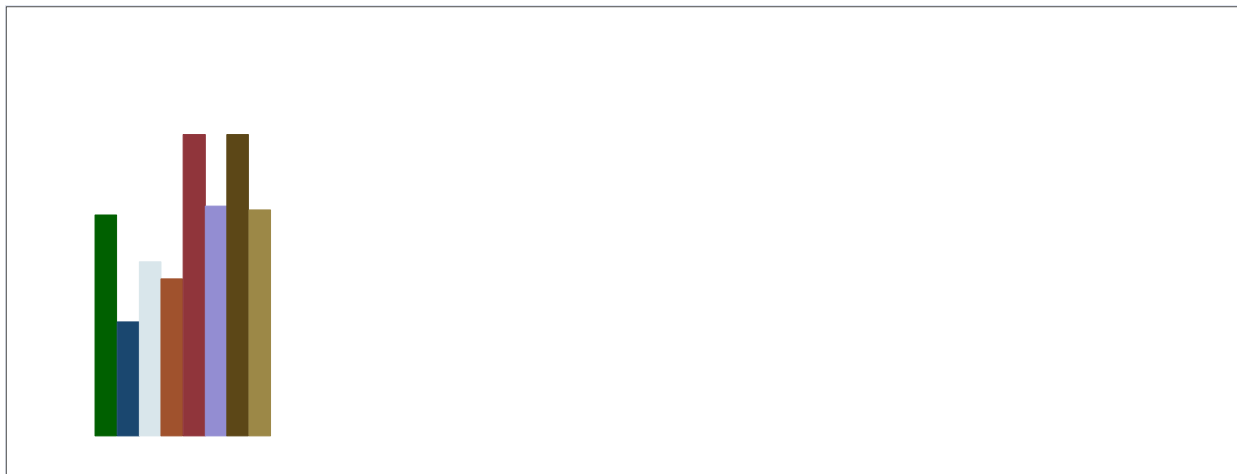
Q13: Are school rules about drug, alcohol, and tobacco use enforced by school staff?



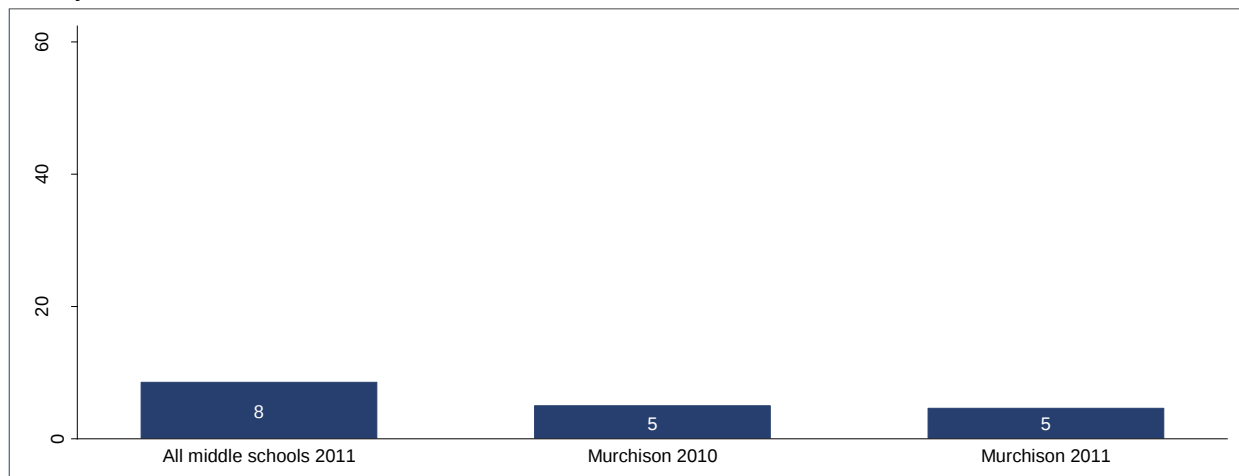
Q19: During this school year, have you gotten into trouble with the police because of tobacco, drugs, or alcohol?



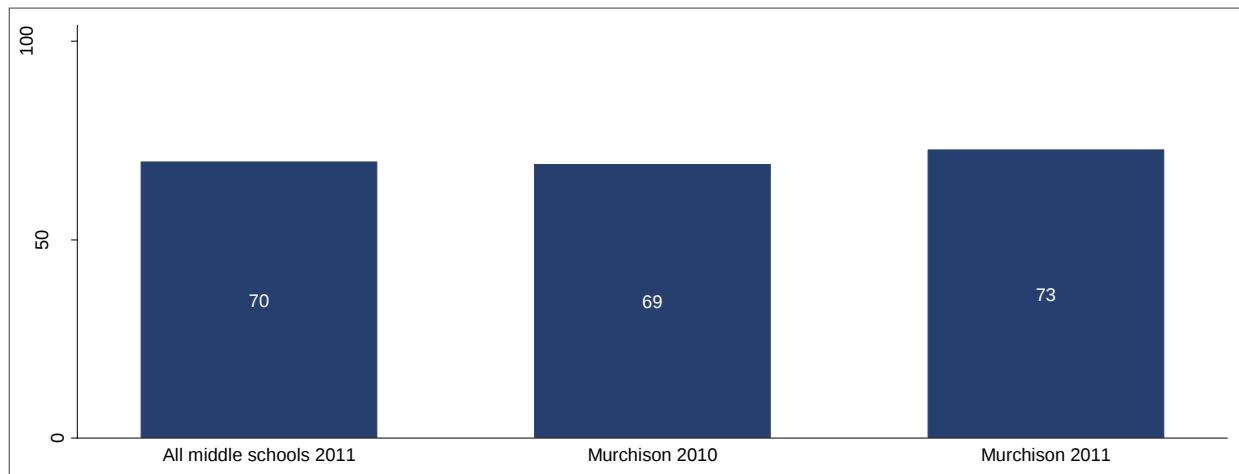
Q24: If you had a drug or alcohol problem and needed help, who would you go to?



on any substance?



Q25: Within the past year, has your parent/guardian talked with you about the dangers of tobacco, alcohol, or drug use?



Q28a. During the school year, how many times have you experienced classes in which you learned and practiced ways of resisting and avoiding substance abuse?

