Using your Healthy Youth Survey (HYS) Results

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### **Overview of Zoom controls**



### Have a question or comment during the meeting today? Add it into the chat!



Please note, the chat is public.



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### **Today's Presenters**



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### **Training Purpose and Objectives**

- Share HYS background & administration information
- Describe how to access HYS results
- Review HYS statistics fundamentals
- Describe how to interpret HYS results
- Explain ways to communicate your HYS results



### Poll!

On a scale of 1-10 how familiar are you with the HYS?

1 = Not familiar at all
10 = Very familiar



Healthy Youth Survey Background and Administration





# **Statewide Effort & Support**

- Schools
- ESDs
- Local Health Jurisdictions
- Community Prevention Providers



Washington Office of Superintendent of **PUBLIC INSTRUCTION** 





Washington State

Liquor and Cannabis Board

Health Care Authority

Funding provided by the Dedicated Cannabis Account and the Substance Abuse Block Grant



### 2021 HYS Survey Forms

Forms A & B

- 8<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> graders
- Form B contains removable questions

 Form C
 6<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> graders



YES — means definitely true for you

### **Student Protections**

- HYS is anonymous and voluntary
- HYS is reviewed by the Washington State Institutional Review Board (WSIRB)
- This includes, but isn't limited to approval of:
  - Methods
  - Materials
  - Parent and student notification processes
  - Survey questions
  - Data and results sharing requirements





### HYS 2021

- Over 208,000 students
- All 39 Counties
- 215 school districts
- 877 schools
  - 8 not associated with a school district
    - > 3 Charter schools
    - > 1 Tribal school
    - > The School for the Blind
    - > 3 Private Schools







#### How to Access HYS Results



### AskHYS.net

- County, ESD, and State results are publicly available
- School district and building level results are available with Superintendent's permission
- Once permission is granted, school employees access the data with EDS credentials
- Community members and coalitions need MOUs signed to access data





### HYS Statistics Fundamentals



### Poll!

- On a scale of 1-10, how comfortable are you with survey statistics?
- 1 = Not comfortable at all
- 10 = Very comfortable



# **Reliability and Validity**

#### Reliability

- Do students tell the truth?
  - > Anonymous
  - Standard survey procedures since 2002
  - Importance of survey explained
- Validity
  - Can we trust the HYS results?
    - Established survey questions
    - Regularly followed data cleaning procedures



### **Representative Results**

#### • Are our HYS results representative?

Response Rates
 within your frequency
 report

 Groups of students that did or did not participate

#### Survey Participation in this Report

Λ	lumber of students surveyed:	1,957	
Λ	lumber of valid responses:	1,908	
Λ	lumber of enrolled students*:	3,199	
Y	our survey participation rate**:	60%	
	* The estimate of enrolled students is based on fig	gures from the 2021-22 school year, provided by OS	SPI.
	** The survey participation rate is the number of va	alid responses divided by the number of enrolled st	ude

- What if they are not representative?
  - Use caution when interpreting results and comparing results over time
  - Explain limitations
    - Students at our school who took the survey said..." healthy



low to Interpr		N for a core question (all/most students)
17. Have you ever, even once in your life: Used ma	· · · ·	
a. Yes	49.0% (±3.0)	
b. No	51.0% (±3.0)	
18. Have you ever, even once in your life: Used inh	alants? (n=200)	N for a question on
a. Yes	11.0% (±4.0)	Form A only (half of
b. No	89.0% (±4.0)	students)
100. How old were you when you had sexual interc	ourse	
or the first time?†	(n=100)	
a. I have never had sexual intercourse	70.0% (±8.0)	N for a removable
b. 11 yhears old or younger	2.0% (±2.0)	question only on Form
c. 12 years old	2.0% (±2.0)	B (half of students, and
d. 13 years old	5.0% (±2.0)	
e. 14 years old	8.0% (±6.0)	some schools removed
f. 15 years old	9.0% (±5.0)	questions)
g. 16 years old	3.0% (±3.0)	•
h. 17 years old or older	1.0% (±1.0)	N near the end of
L50. Does your school have a counselor?	(n=375)	survey
a. Yes	90.0% (±3.0)	
b. No	5.0% (±2.0)	le e e 141e
c. Not sure	5.0% (±2.0)	healthy

### **Confidence Intervals Explained**

- What are they?
  - A tool to help you interpret your results
- Why do they matter?
  - It is unlikely that 100% of your students participated
  - The reported value is unlikely to be *exactly* the same as the "true" value for your students
- How do they work?
  - Account for random variation due to who participated
  - Shows a range in which the true value probably falls
- Example
  - With a 95% confidence interval, we are 95% confident that the true value is within the ± range



#### **Confidence Intervals as Error Bars**

- Example: Your HYS results say 18.0% (± 5.0%) of students used marijuana.
  - ▶ 18.0 5.0 = 13.0
  - ▶ 18.0 + 5.0 = 23.0

Interpret your results as between 13.0% and 23.0% used marijuana



### **Statistical Significance Explained**

- The probability that differences in results are not due to chance alone.
- When using 95% confidence intervals, a difference between two groups is considered statistically significant if chance could explain it only 5% of the time or less.



# **Error Bars & Statistical Significance**

When error bars overlap quite a bit, the difference is not statistically significant



When error bars overlap even less, the difference is probably not statistically significant



When error bars do not overlap, the difference is may be statistically significant. Perform a statistical test to be sure.





### **Statistical Significance Testing Tool**

- Excel Tool available to test for significant differences in HYS data
  - Uses two point estimates and their 95% CI to check for statistical significance (p-value)
  - Only use if you have 30 or more students
  - Do not use if evaluating 0% or 100%
    - If your p-value is *less than 0.05*, then your difference is significant
- Access the tool at:
  - https://www.askhys.net/Training





### **Break!**

Please return at: 11:15



#### Communicating HYS Results



### Share in the Chat

What are some of the ways you have used HYS results in the past?

OR

How do you anticipate you will use HYS results going forward?



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# **HYS Results**





### **Results on AskHYS.net**

#### Fact Sheets

- State and local comparisons
- Year-to-Year changes
- Frequency Reports
  - Differences by sex assigned at birth
- QxQ Analysis Tool
  - Run frequencies
  - Run crosstabs
  - Some limitations (participation rate, forms, cell size)
- PowerPoint Slides
  - Pre-generated with your data



### **Fact Sheets**

- Topical fact sheets with a selection of relevant questions and crosstabulations
- Available at State, County, ESD levels
- New fact sheet this year for Washington HYS Adverse Childhood Experiences (WAH-ACEs) score
- Some fact sheets have been updated to a new template
- Can be helpful for a quick figure or to provide to someone asking for a snapshot of a specific topic



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### **Frequency Reports**

- Aggregate frequencies (%) of responses displayed by grade.
- Available at State, County, ESD, and special subpopulation (e.g., race/ethnicity, migratory status) levels.
- Often useful for grabbing a quick number for a report, media inquiry, or grant.

	Grade 6	Grade 8	Grade 10	Grade 12
129. During the past 30 days, how many days did you text or email while driving a car or other vehicle?	% (± CI) (n=0)	% (± CI) (n=8,113)	% (± CI) (n=7,549)	% (± CI) (n=5,321)
<ol> <li>I did not drive a car or other vehicle during the past 30 days.</li> </ol>	••	82.5% (±1.5)	58.7% (±2.9)	33.6% (±3.8)
b. 0 days		13.3% (±1.4)	32.8% (±2.6)	27.6% (±1.4)
c. 1 or 2 days		1.3% (±0.3)	4.1% (±0.5)	11.9% (±1.3)
d. 3 to 5 days		0.7% (±0.2)	1.3% (±0.3)	5.8% (±0.8)
e. 6 to 9 days		0.4% (±0.1)	0.9% (±0.2)	3.7% (±0.6)
f. 10 to 19 days		0.5% (±0.2)	0.8% (±0.2)	5.0% (±0.8)
g. 20 to 29 days		0.3% (±0.1)	0.3% (±0.1)	4.0% (±0.8)
h. All 30 days		1.0% (±0.2)	1.2% (±0.3)	8.3% (±1.4)



### **Question X Question (QxQ)**

- State, County, ESD-level analysis of two questions on the survey
- Some questions have a "collapsed" option to increase cell sizes and limit suppression
- Provides crosstabulation but no significance testing

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There is a separate statistical significance testing Excel tool on the website

Washington State Healthy Youth Survey Online Analysis - 2018

Statewide - Grade 10

Current Alcohol Drinking and Feeling Nervous, Anxious or on Edge

		Feeling Nerv	Feeling Nervous, Anxious or on Edge		
		not at all	any days	Total	
nt Alcohol Drinking	no days	34.9% ± 2.0% 2,029	65.1% ± 2.0% 3,787	100.0% 5,816	
	any days	24.6% ± 2.7% 322	75.4% ± 2.7% 987	100.0% 1,309	



### **More Resources**

	Healthy Youth Survey					22,20		
	Home	Survey Results	Resources	Press Releases	Contact	About	Log On	
Training and Tools page		Training & Tools						
		Survey Questionnaires						
		Interpretation Assi	istance					

- Resources and training materials about HYS, using the data, and interpreting results
- All survey questionnaires going back to 2002 are available under the Resources tab
- Learn more about the survey under About
- Data crosswalk spreadsheet for prior years also available on the QxQ page



### How to Communicate Results

- Identify top priorities
- Create key messages
- Share your message



# **Step 1: Identify Top Priorities**

- What is the focus area for your community, school, program, policy, etc.?
- Who are your partners and how will you engage them?
- Which measure are you trying to change?



### Step 2: Create Key Messages

- What does your audience absolutely need to know?
- What is the goal for this communication?
- Who is your audience?



#### Step 3: Share your message

- Who is your audience?
- What platform works best with them?
- How can you tell a story with the data? Consider how your work connects with this story!
  - Frame the issue with HYS data
  - Describe why the problem matters
  - Explain what the audience can do about it





# **Talking Tips!**

- Keep it simple
- Double check your numbers and note that HYS results are estimates
  - Include the confidence interval
  - Acknowledge participation rates
  - Say "About"
- Ask others to review your work before you share it
- Don't speculate. Remember your limitations.
  - It's ok to say "I don't know, I'll get back to you"
- Be compassionate there are youth behind all HYS numbers
- Include a call-to-action for your audience



### Want more assistance?

- Speak directly to the HYS Planning Committee Data Team
- Email <u>Healthy.Youth@DOH.wa.gov</u>
- Interest in "Drop-In Hours"?



### **THANK YOU!**

#### From the Healthy Youth Survey Planning Committee

- Washington Health Care Authority, Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery
- Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction
- Washington Department of Health
- Washington Liquor and Cannabis Board
- Looking Glass Analytics



### Questions?

#### Email

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- Submit HYS questions and comments directly to
  - https://www.surveymonkey.co m/r/HYSquestion



