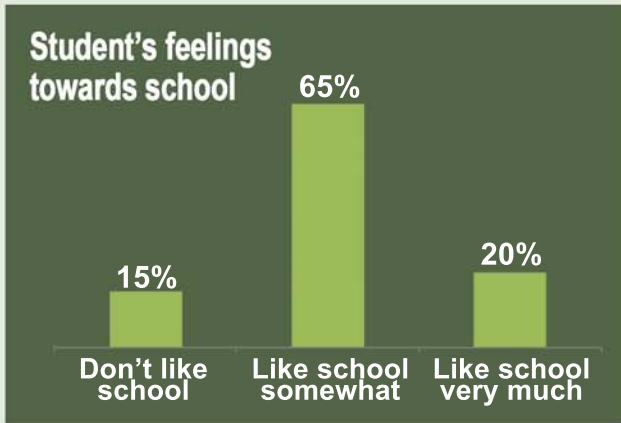


85%
of BC students
reported liking school
somewhat or very much.



“I believe school should be more safe, so kids feel comfortable in school, cause I know I don't.”

This is one of a series of 12 pamphlets sharing the results of the BC Adolescent Health Survey with young people. Other pamphlets in the series include: Nutrition, Injuries, Smoking, Weight & Body Image, Health & Accessing Health Care, Sexual Behaviour, Sport & Leisure Activities, Abuse & Violence, Mental & Emotional Health, Building Protective Factors and Substance Use.

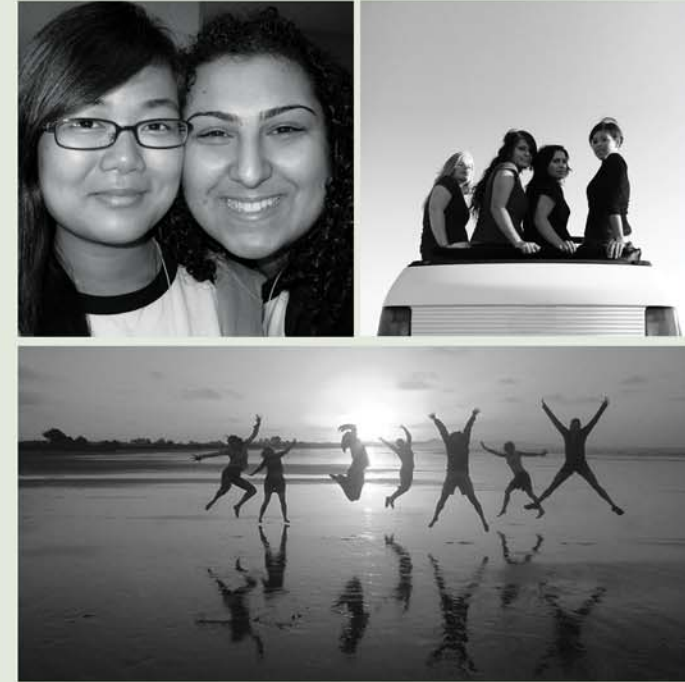


Information presented here is taken from the 2008 BC Adolescent Health Survey which was completed by 30,000 youth in grades 7-12. The results of this survey are published in *A Picture of Health*, as well as other youth friendly reports and fact sheets. These are available free on our website. If you are interested in learning more about the results, or how to use the results to improve youth health in your community, visit www.mcs.bc.ca.



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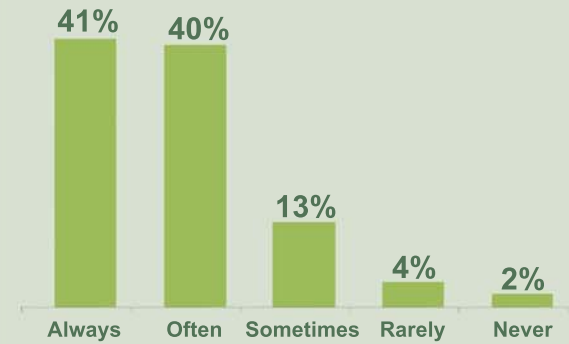
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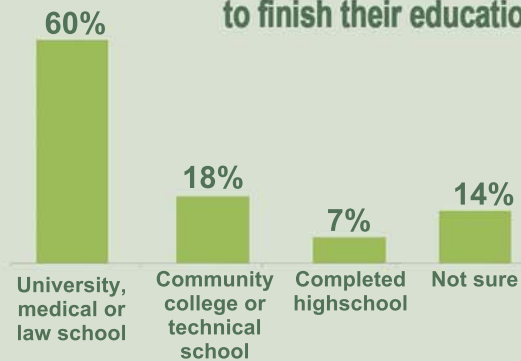
Overall, 41% of students reported always feeling safe at school. Feelings of safety were highest among students in Grade 12 and Grade 7, and lowest among students in Grades 8 through 10.

How often youth felt safe at school



Most students expected to graduate from high school.

When students expect to finish their education



A total of 41% of students worked at a paid job during the school year. Females were more likely than males to work 5-19 hours a week and males were more likely than females to work 20 or more hours a week.

Did you know?

Students who carried a weapon to school felt less safe at school compared to students who did not carry a weapon. This suggests students tend to carry a weapon to protect themselves against perceived threats.

Resources

HealthLink BC

Anywhere in BC: 8-1-1

TTY (Deaf and hearing-impaired): 7-1-1

www.healthlinkbc.ca

Easy access to non-emergency health information and services.

Local Youth Clinic

Search online for youth clinics in your area.

They are free, confidential and full of professional doctors and nurses who are happy to help.

Kids Help Phone

1-800-668-6868

www.kidshelpphone.ca

Free and anonymous phone and web counselling that is confidential, non-judgemental and available 24/7 for both children and teenagers.

Youth In BC

604.872.3311 (Greater Vancouver)

1.866.661.3311 (Toll-Free)

www.youthinbc.com

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