

Average age at which students in grade 12 reported they first used cannabis

Unit : Number

| | Academic Year 2023-2024 | Academic Year 2021-2022 | Academic Year 2018-2019 | Academic Year 2015-2016 |
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| Province | | | | |
| New Brunswick | 14.5 | 14.8 | 15.0 | 13.7 |
| Health zones | | | | |
| Zone 1 - Moncton and South-East Area | 14.8 | 14.7 | 15.2 | 13.8 |
| Zone 2 - Fundy Shore and Saint John Area | 14.4 | 14.8 | 15.0 | 13.6 |
| Zone 3 - Fredericton and River Valley Area | 14.5 | 14.6 | 14.8 | 13.6 |
| Zone 4 - Madawaska and North-West Area | 14.9 | 15.0 | 15.5 | 13.8 |
| Zone 5 - Restigouche Area | 13.9 | 15.1 | 14.8 | 13.6 |
| Zone 6 - Bathurst and Acadian Peninsula Area | 14.7 | 15.2 | 15.4 | 13.9 |
| Zone 7 - Miramichi Area | 14.3 | 14.7 | 14.9 | 13.4 |
| Communities | | | | |
| Bathurst, Beresford, Petit-Rocher Area | 14.6 | 14.9 | 15.4 | 14.0 |
| Bouctouche, Richibucto, Saint-Antoine Area | 14.6 | 14.5 | 14.9 | 13.8 |
| Campbellton, Atholville, Tide Head Area | 14.5 | S | 15.0 | S |
| Caraquet, Paquetville, Bertrand Area | S | 15.4 | S | S |
| Dalhousie, Balmoral, Belledune Area | 13.0 | S | S | S |
| Dieppe and Memramcook | 15.2 | 14.7 | 15.6 | 14.2 |
| Douglas, Saint Marys, Doaktown Area | S | S | S | S |
| Edmundston, Rivière-Verte, Lac Baker Area | 15.1 | 15.2 | 15.4 | 13.9 |
| Florenceville-Bristol, Woodstock, Wakefield Area | 14.1 | 14.5 | 14.9 | 13.6 |
| Fredericton | 14.8 | 14.9 | 15.1 | 13.8 |
| Grand Falls, Saint-Léonard, Drummond Area | 15.1 | 14.8 | S | 13.7 |
| Hillsborough, Riverside-Albert, Alma Area | S | S | S | S |

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| Kedgwick, Saint-Quentin and Grimmer | S | S | S | S |
| Minto, Chipman, Cambridge-Narrows Area | S | S | 14.0 | 13.4 |
| Miramichi, Rogersville, Blackville Area | 14.2 | 14.6 | 14.9 | 13.4 |
| Moncton | 15.0 | 15.0 | 15.2 | 13.8 |
| Nackawic, McAdam, Canterbury Area | S | 14.1 | 14.6 | 13.6 |
| Neguac, Alnwick, Esgenoopetitj Area | S | S | S | S |
| New Maryland, Kingsclear, Lincoln Area | S | S | S | S |
| Oromocto, Gagetown, Fredericton Junction Area | 14.4 | 14.1 | 14.5 | 13.6 |
| Perth-Andover, Plaster Rock, Tobique Area | 13.9 | 14.9 | S | 13.4 |
| Quispamsis, Rothesay, Hampton Area | 14.2 | 15.0 | 15.3 | 13.6 |
| Riverview and Coverdale | S | 14.6 | 14.9 | 13.5 |
| Sackville, Dorchester, Port Elgin Area | S | 14.9 | 15.3 | S |
| Saint John, Simonds and Musquash | 14.5 | 14.6 | 15.1 | 13.6 |
| Salisbury and Petitcodiac | S | 14.2 | 14.8 | 13.7 |
| Shediac, Beaubassin East and Cap-Pelé | S | S | S | S |
| Shippagan, Lamèque, Inkerman Area | S | S | S | S |
| St. George, Grand Manan, Blacks Harbour Area | S | S | 14.8 | 13.4 |
| St. Stephen, Saint Andrews, Campobello Island Area | 14.8 | S | 14.6 | 13.8 |
| Sussex, Norton, Sussex Corner Area | 14.0 | 14.9 | 14.3 | 13.9 |
| Tracadie and Saint-Isidore | 15.1 | 15.3 | S | S |

School districts

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| Anglophone East School District | 14.7 | 14.7 | 15.1 | 13.6 |
| Anglophone North School District | 14.2 | 14.5 | 15.0 | 13.6 |
| Anglophone South School District | 14.4 | 14.8 | 15.0 | 13.6 |

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| Anglophone West School District | 14.5 | 14.5 | 14.8 | 13.6 |
| Anglophone sector | 14.5 | 14.7 | 15.0 | 13.6 |
| District scolaire francophone Nord-Est | 14.5 | 15.4 | 15.3 | 13.8 |
| District scolaire francophone Nord-Ouest | 14.8 | 15.1 | 15.5 | 13.9 |
| District scolaire francophone Sud | 14.9 | 15.2 | 15.3 | 14.0 |
| Francophone sector | 14.8 | 15.2 | 15.3 | 13.9 |

Grades

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|----------------|------|------|------|------|
| Grades 6 to 8 | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| Grades 9 to 12 | 14.5 | 14.8 | 15.0 | 13.7 |

Gender

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|------------|------|------|-----|-----|
| Female | 14.7 | 15.0 | n/a | n/a |
| Male | 14.4 | 14.6 | n/a | n/a |
| Non-binary | 13.4 | 14.6 | n/a | n/a |

Sex at birth

| | | | | |
|--------|------|------|------|-----|
| Female | 14.7 | 15.0 | 15.3 | n/a |
| Male | 14.4 | 14.6 | 14.8 | n/a |

2SLGBTQIA+ status

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| 2SLGBTQIA+ | 14.7 | 14.8 | n/a | n/a |
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Indigenous identity

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| Indigenous | 13.8 | 14.2 | 14.4 | 13.1 |
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Immigrant

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| Immigrants | 14.7 | 15.3 | 15.2 | n/a |
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Disability or special need

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| Disability or special need | 14.1 | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| Racialized groups | | | | |
| Racialized groups | 13.9 | n/a | n/a | n/a |

About

This indicator is the average age at which students in grade 12 reported they first used cannabis. This indicator includes marijuana, any other products made from the cannabis plant such as dry cannabis and cannabis that is mixed or processed into another product.

Source

Student Wellness and Education Survey - Grades 6-12

Calculations

This indicator is based on respondents who are in grade 12. This indicator is calculated by doing the "sum of the values" divided by "number of values" to the question: At what age did you first do the following things? If there is something you have not done, choose the 'never' category. d) Use marijuana

Notes

Users are advised to exercise caution if comparing data from the community of Grand Bay-Westfield, Westfield, Greenwich Area to other New Brunswick communities. The data for the community of Grand Bay-Westfield, Westfield, Greenwich Area is based on students in grades 6 to 8, while data from the other communities are based on students in grades 6 to 12. Survey results are assigned to communities based on the location of the school. The community of Grand Bay-Westfield, Westfield, Greenwich Area does not have any schools with grades 9 to 12.

| Unit | Interpretation | NBHC code |
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| Number | Higher is better | SH_MAR01_1 |

Caption

n/a = Not applicable / not available

S = Data suppressed due to confidentiality requirements and/or small sample size