
2023 HKCS Participation Information

In advance of CDPHE's public data release in June 2024

The Healthy Kids Colorado Survey (HKCS) is the state's most comprehensive survey on the health and well-being of young people. The purpose of the survey is to better understand youth health and the factors that help young people make healthy choices.

Participation in the HKCS is completely voluntary. Before administering the survey in middle and high schools across Colorado, school districts, schools, parents/guardians, and youth give their consent to participate.

2023 Participation Numbers

- 120,239 young people - the most ever!
 - From 344 schools across Colorado, including 166 high schools and 178 middle schools
- 13,440 more young people than in 2021

Representative High School Results by Region

The HKCS sample yields results that are representative of youth who attend public high schools in [the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment's \(CDPHE\) health statistics regions](#). CDPHE publishes regional results with response rates greater than 25%. In some regions, not enough sampled schools choose to participate, which produces low response rates. 2023 results will not be published for the following regions:

- Region 1: Logan, Morgan, Phillips, Sedgwick, Washington, and Yuma Counties
- Region 4: El Paso County
- Region 5: Cheyenne, Elbert, Kit Carson, and Lincoln Counties
- Region 18: Weld County

How to Access Results

Regional and statewide results: CDPHE will publish representative regional and statewide results on healthykidscolo.org in June 2024. [Sign up for the School and Youth Survey Newsletter](#) for updates.

Local results: Please discuss data sharing with leadership from your school district first, then send a signed [Data Use Agreement \(DUA\)](#) to the Colorado School of Public Health (CSPH) Survey Team (CSPHSurveyTeam@CUAnschutz.edu) for access to local reports. For more information, contact the CSPH Survey Team.