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HBSC

Health Behaviour in School-aged Children survey

This is an international survey being conducted every four years since 1982 under the auspices of the European office of the World Health Organisation (WHO) to gain insight into young people's well-being, health behaviours and their social context. Over 50 countries (including France since 2002) and regions across Europe and North America take part and collect standardised information on behaviours that are detrimental to or positive for health in students aged 11, 13 and 15 years. The HBSC survey is self-administered, strictly anonymous and conducted in class under the supervision of a specially trained investigator.

More information on the survey and full contact details for research teams can be found on the HBSC website: <http://www.hbsc.org>.

Results of the HBSC 2018 survey in France

In 2018, the Health Behaviour in School-aged Children (HBSC) and European School Project on Alcohol and other Drugs (ESPAD) were carried out simultaneously for the first time in France, using a unified scientific framework. More than 20 000 middle school and high school students, representing 11- to 18-year-old adolescents attending secondary school in metropolitan France, were invited to answer an online questionnaire on their well-being and health behaviour, including their use of psychoactive substances.

► [Alcohol, tobacco and cannabis use among French school students in 2018, Tendances n°132, June 2019](#)

Results of the HBSC 2014 survey in France

From April to June 2014, 10 434 school-aged students, from "CM2" (10-11 year olds, corresponding to the last year of primary school) to "seconde" (15-16 year olds, corresponding to the first year of senior high-school), were surveyed in 286 public or private establishments in mainland France under contract with the French national education authority

► [Alcohol, tobacco and cannabis use during "the collège years" in 2014, Tendances n° 106.](#)

[December 2015](#)

Results of the HBSC 2010 survey in France

In 2010 in Mainland France, 11,754 students from “CM2” to “seconde” were surveyed in public and private establishments under contract with the French national education authority. The final sample, after data screening, included 11 638 students (49.8 % were girls).

► [Alcohol, tobacco and cannabis during the « collège years », Tendances n° 80, April 2012](#)

Results of the HBSC 2006 survey in France

In 2006, 9 000 schoolchildren in main-land France from “CM2” to the first year of secondary/high school in public or private establishments under contract with the French national education authority. After filtering the data, the final sample included 7 154 pupils (50.3% of whom were girls) almost uniformly distributed among the 11, 13 and 15-year old age groups.

► [Tobacco, alcohol and cannabis consumption during early adolescence - Results from the French section of the 2006 HBSC survey, Tendances n° 59, March 2008](#)