

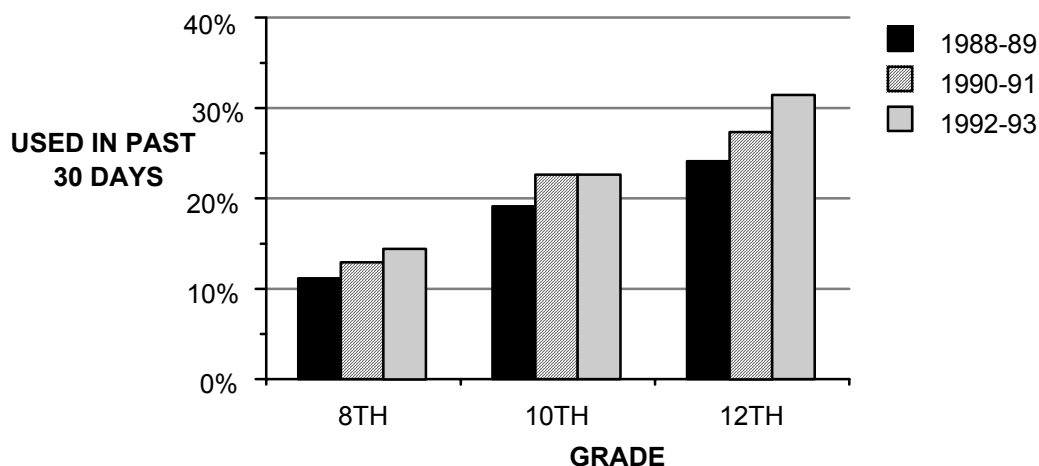
A Weekly FAX from the Center for Substance Abuse Research

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Cigarette Use Among Maryland 8th And 12th Graders Continues to Increase

Data from the past three Maryland State Department of Education's Adolescent Drug Surveys (MAS) show that current cigarette use among Maryland 8th and 12th graders has continued to increase since 1988 and has stabilized at approximately 23% among Maryland 10th graders. The prevalence of cigarette use in the 30 days prior to the survey increased in 8th graders from 11% in 1988 to 14% in 1992 and in 12th graders increased from 24% in 1988 to 32% in 1992.

**Percentage Of Maryland Students Who Used Cigarettes
In The 30 Days Prior To Survey, By Grade Level,
School Years 1988-89, 1990-91 and 1992-1993**



SOURCE: 1992 Maryland Adolescent Drug Survey, Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE). A copy of the MAS may be obtained by contacting Debbie Somerville at (410) 333-2680.

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