

Youth Safety

Key Findings

In 2008, under two-fifths (39%) of Auglaize County youth self-reported that they always wore a seatbelt when riding in a car driven by someone else. 58% of Auglaize County youth had been to the doctor for a routine check-up in the past year.

Personal Safety

- ◆ Just under two-fifths (39%) of youth always wore a seatbelt when riding in a car driven by someone else, decreasing to 34% of those 17-18 years old.
- ◆ In the past 30 days, 23% of youth had ridden in a car driven by someone who had been drinking alcohol and 8% had driven a car themselves after drinking alcohol, increasing to 16% of 17-18 year olds.
- ◆ One in five (20%) of youth used tanning beds or booths, increasing to 36% of females. Of those who tanned, 67% did so only for special occasions such as prom or a wedding, 5% did so once a month, 14% did so once a week, and 14% did so more than once a week.
- ◆ About one-fifth (19%) of youth reported they had no unsupervised time after school on an average school day. 26% had less than one hour of unsupervised time. 34% had 1-2 hours of unsupervised time. 12% had 3-4 hours and 9% had four or more hours of unsupervised time after school.
- ◆ Auglaize County youth never wore a helmet when they rode the following in the past year: a bicycle (86%), skateboard, (89%), ATV (44%), or moped (27%).

Auglaize County Youth Leading Causes of Death 2004-2006

Total Deaths: 14

- ◆ Accidents (Unintentional injuries)
- ◆ Malignant neoplasms
- ◆ Cerebrovascular Disease

(Source: ODH Information Warehouse, updated 12-5--07)

General Health

- ◆ Over half (58%) of youth had been to a doctor for a routine check-up in the past year.
- ◆ In the past year, 77% of Auglaize County youth had visited the dentist for a check-up, exam, teeth cleaning, or other dental work. 11% reported more than one year but less than 2 years, and 4% responded more than 2 years ago.

Auglaize County Youth Seatbelt Use in the Past Month

