High school seniors reporting victimization experiences in last 12 months

By type of victimization, United States, 1984-96

Question: "During the last 12 months, how often. . ." Class of 1986 of 1987 of 1988 of 1990 of 1991 of 1992 of 1995 of 1984 of 1985 of 1989 of 1993 of 1994 of 1996 Type of victimization (N=3,361) (N=3,350) (N=2,852) (N=2,627) (N=2,569) (N=3,322)(N=3,327)(N=3,159) (N=2,690) (N=2,770)(N=2,645) (N=2,656) (N=2,452) Has something of yours (worth under \$50) been stolen? 55.4% 55.4% Not at all 56.0% 55.6% 52.7% 52.2% 52.5% 56.3% 54.6% 55.3% 56.6% 55.4% 52.5% Once 25.8 26.9 28.6 28.4 28.5 26.2 24.8 26.2 27.0 25.6 25.3 25.7 27.0 Twice 10.9 10.6 11.2 11.5 11.5 10.6 12.2 10.9 10.6 11.0 11.0 10.7 11.0 5.2 5.2 3 or 4 times 5.4 5.0 5.4 5.3 4.7 6.0 5.2 5.0 5.7 5.1 6.4 5 or more times 2.0 1.9 2.1 2.6 2.3 2.2 2.3 2.4 2.1 3.0 3.1 2.4 2.0 Has something of yours (worth over \$50) been stolen? 85.1 82.5 78.0 79.4 75.1 76.8 76.0 Not at all 83.6 79.7 77.9 77.2 77.5 73.3 12.0 13.5 15.2 15.7 15.3 16.8 17.0 Once 10.7 15.2 15.9 15.6 17.2 16.4 Twice 2.8 3.1 2.6 3.2 3.8 3.0 4.1 4.8 4.6 4.0 4.1 4.7 5.7 3 or 4 times 1.2 0.9 1.0 1.3 1.5 1.3 2.0 1.7 1.9 2.6 1.6 2.1 2.5 5 or more times 0.4 0.3 0.3 0.7 0.7 0.6 0.9 0.6 0.7 1.0 0.7 0.7 1.5 Has someone deliberately damaged your property (your car, clothing, etc.)? Not at all 69.1 68.9 66.2 66.7 66.3 66.4 66.1 67.0 66.4 65.6 67.9 65.7 65.8 Once 18.7 19.4 21.7 21.5 21.1 21.3 19.5 21.6 19.8 19.1 19.6 19.5 20.9 Twice 6.8 7.6 7.0 8.4 8.6 7.8 8.9 7.7 9.4 9.2 8.5 8.6 8.8 3 or 4 times 36 3.0 2.5 3.0 3.5 29 40 36 34 42 3.8 37 3.0 5 or more times 1.7 1.1 0.9 0.9 1.1 1.3 1.3 1.3 0.9 1.4 1.2 1.8 1.6 Has someone injured you with a weapon (like a knife, gun, or club)? 95.2 95.3 95.0 95.5 94 7 94.3 93.9 95.0 95.0 Not at all 94 8 94 4 94.5 94 9 3.7 1.1 Once 3.7 3.1 3.3 3.8 3.0 3.9 4.1 4.0 3.6 3.5 3.0 2.9 1.0 0.9 0.7 0.9 0.8 0.7 1.4 0.9 Twice 1.1 1.4 1.1 1.1 3 or 4 times 0.3 0.2 0.7 0.3 0.3 0.4 0.3 0.4 0.4 0.1 0.3 0.5 0.5 0.3 0.2 0.2 0.2 0.4 0.2 0.4 0.3 5 or more times Has someone threatened you with a weapon, but not actually injured you? 83.2 82.8 81.3 79.6 80.9 82.1 81.0 Not at all 83.4 83.8 84.2 81.9 81.4 80.7 Once 10.3 10.0 10.4 10.6 10.8 10.4 11.1 10.9 11.5 11.3 9.3 10.7 Twice 3.2 3.7 3.3 3.2 3.5 3.1 3.9 3.9 4.0 3.8 3.7 4.5 4.6 3 or 4 times 1.7 1.4 1.1 1.6 1.7 1.7 2.0 2.0 2.4 2.8 2.4 2.2 1.9 5 or more times 1.4 1.1 1.0 1.4 1.3 1.7 1.8 1.6 2.1 2.3 1.7 1.8 1.9 Has someone injured you on purpose without using a weapon? Not at all 83.4 83.6 84.4 82.8 84.1 84.2 83.3 83.8 84.0 83.6 84.9 84 1 84 4 9.4 3.5 9.2 3.2 9.2 3.4 Once 9.6 10.1 10.5 9.6 10.1 9.6 9.3 9.3 9.0 7.9 3.5 3.0 3.3 3.2 Twice 3.4 2.9 3.1 3.1 2.7 3.7 3 or 4 times 2.2 2.0 2.0 1.8 2.6 1.6 2.0 1.3 1.8 2.0 1.9 2.1 1.7 5 or more times 1.6 1.3 1.3 1.6 1.5 1.8 1.4 Has an unarmed person threatened you with injury, but not actually injured you? 69.3 14.7 Not at all 72.4 69.6 66.8 69.1 69.3 69.0 69.9 71.8 71.7 70.3 70.1 70.2 Once 13.3 13.3 15.2 14.1 14.2 15.3 13.5 13.7 13.1 13.2 12.8 13.4 Twice 5.3 6.2 5.8 6.3 6.2 8.0 6.8 6.2 7.6 6.8 6.4 6.2 3 or 4 times 4.5 4.0 4.0 4.6 4.8 4.4 4.7 4.9 5.3 4.2 4.5 4.5 4.0 5.5

Note: These data are from a series of nationwide surveys of high school seniors conducted from 1975 through 1996 by the Monitoring the Future Project at the University of Michigan's Institute for Social Research. The survey design is a multistage random sample of high school seniors in public and private schools throughout the continental United States. All percentages reported are based on weighted cases; the N's that are shown in the tables also refer to the number of weighted cases. Readers interested in responses to this question for 1976 through 1983 should consult previous editions of SOURCEBOOK. For survey methodology and definitions of terms, see Appendix 7.

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