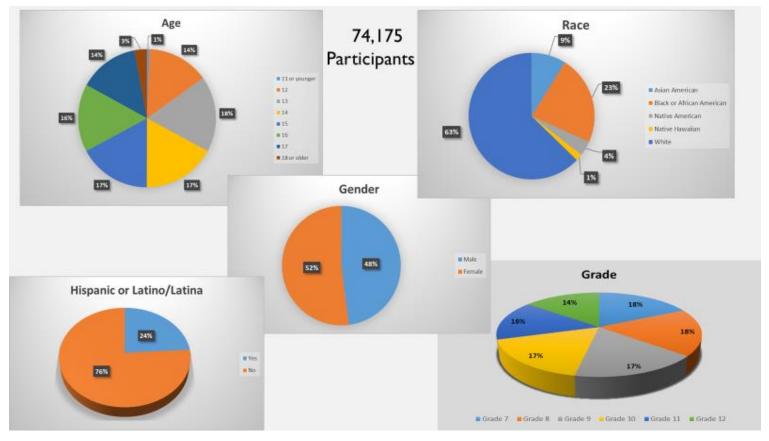


Exploring specific risk and protective factors influencing the initiation of youth alcohol, marijuana, non-medical opioid prescription drug, and heroin use:

Using data analysis to explore differences in the level of impact of factors between drug categories

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Demographics



Risk and Protective Factors

- Risk factors increase the probability of a behavior.
- Protective factors buffer the effects of risk, reducing the probability of a behavior.
- Over 25 years of research has identified 25 risk factors and 14 protective factors that predict youth problem behaviors.

Risk Factors That Inhibit Healthy Youth Development

RISK FACTORS	Problem Behaviors				
Community	Substance Abuse	Delinquency	Teen Pregnancy	School Drop-Out	
Availability of Alcohol and Other Drugs	✓				✓
Community Laws and Norms Favorable Toward Substance Use	✓	✓			✓
Transitions and Mobility ¹	√	✓		✓	
Low Neighborhood Attachment	✓	√			✓
Community Disorganization	✓	✓			✓
Extreme Economic Deprivation ¹	✓	√	✓	√	✓
Family					
7. Family History of the Problem Behavior	√	√	✓	√	✓
8. Family Management Problems	√	✓	✓	√	√
9. Family Conflict	✓	✓	√	✓	✓
 Parental Attitudes Favorable Towards Drugs / Other Problem Behavior 	✓	✓			✓
School					
11. Academic Failure	√	✓	✓	√	✓
12. Low of Commitment to School	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Individual and Peer					
13. Early Initiation of Drug Use	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
14. Early Initiation of Problem Behavior	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
15. Rebelliousness	✓	✓		✓	
 Friends Who Use Drugs / Engage in Other Problem Behavior 	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
 Favorable Attitudes Toward Drug Use / Other Problem Behavior 	✓	✓	√	✓	
18. Perceived Risk of Drug Use	✓				
19. Peer Rewards for Drug Use	✓				
20. Depressive Symptoms	✓				

Not measured in all surveys, archival indicator data may better assess these risk factors.

How were these risk factors measured?

COMMUNITY: Laws and Norms Favorable to Drug Use (Laws and Norms Favorable)						
How wrong would most adults in your neighborhood think it was for kids your age:						
to use marijuana?	Very Wrong, Wrong, A little bit wrong, Not wrong at all	113a				
to drink alcohol?	same as above	113b				
to smoke cigarettes?	same as above	113c				
If a kid smoked marijuana in your neighborhood would he or she be caught by the police?	NO!, no, yes, YES!	115				
If a kid drank some beer, wine, or hard liquor (for example, vodka, whiskey, or gin) in your neighborhood, would he or she be caught by the police?	NO!, no, yes, YES!	116				

RISK FACTORS

Laws/norms favorable: neighborhood approval of drug use
Poor family management: no clear rules or parental monitoring
Low comm school: school meaningful, interesting
Family conflict: family arguments, insults, yelling
Family antisocial: used drugs, handguns, dealing drugs
Peers favor drug use: perceptions of wrong or not wrong
Depressive: low feelings of self-worth, sadness, depression

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Protective Factors That Promote Healthy Youth Development

Community

- 1. Opportunities for Prosocial Involvement
- 2. Rewards for Prosocial Involvement

Family

- 3. Family Opportunities for Prosocial Involvement
- 4. Family Rewards for Prosocial Involvement
- 5. Family Attachment

School

- 6. School Opportunities for Prosocial Involvement
- 7. School Prosocial Involvement
- 8. School Rewards for Prosocial Involvement

Individual & Peer

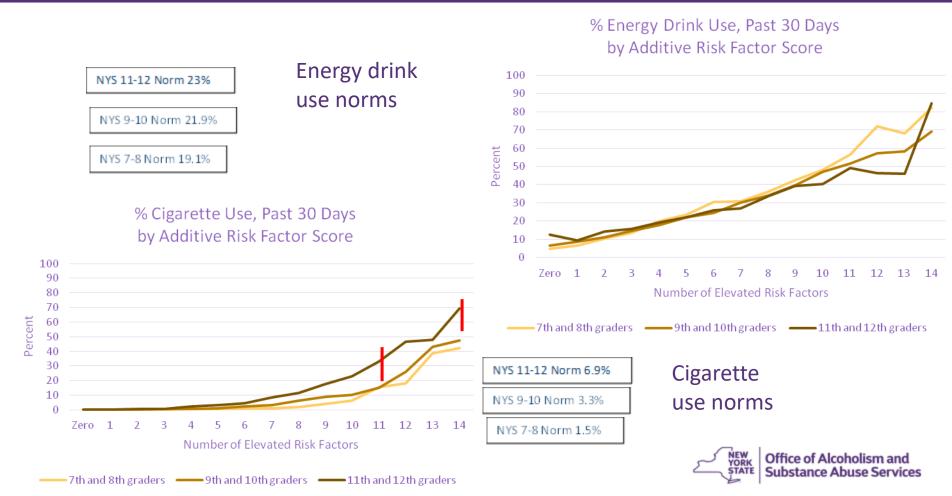
- 9. Religiosity
- 10. Belief in the Moral Order
- 11. Social Skills

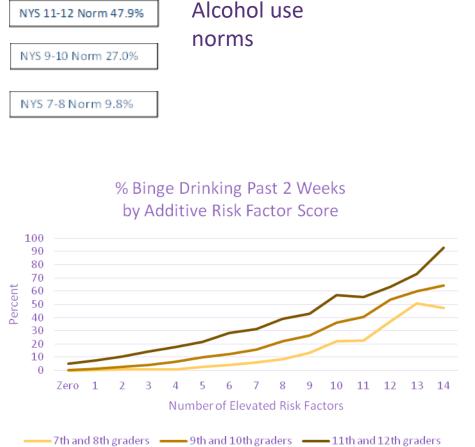
How were the protective factors measured?

SCHOOL: Opportunities for Prosocial Involvement (SchoolProInvolve)						
In my school, students have lots of chances to help decide things like class activities and rules.	NO!, no, yes, YES!	7				
Teachers ask me to work on special classroom projects.	same as above	8				
There are lots of chances for students in my school to get involved in sports, clubs, and other school activities outside of class.	same as above	9				
There are lots of chances for students in my school to talk with a teacher one-on-one.	same as above	10				
I have lots of chances to be part of class discussions or activities.	same as above	13				

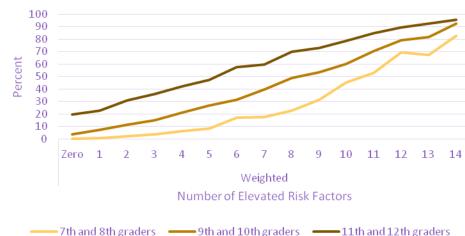
PROTECTIVE FACTORS

- Comm opps: sports, scouting, 4H
- Peer prosocial: clubs in & out of school
- · Fam opp: involved in family decisions
- Fam rewards: parents notice and praise
- School rewards: Teachers' praise
- Moral order: not okay to cheat, steal
- School opps: classroom autonomy





% Alcohol Use Past 30 Days by Additive Risk Factor Score



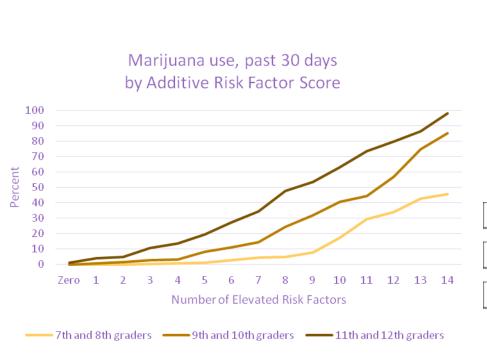
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NYS 9-10 Norm 11.6%

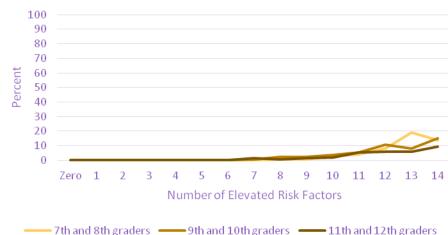
NYS 7-8 Norm 3.7%

Binge drinking norms





% Synthetic Marijuana Use, Past 30 Days by Additive Risk Factor Score



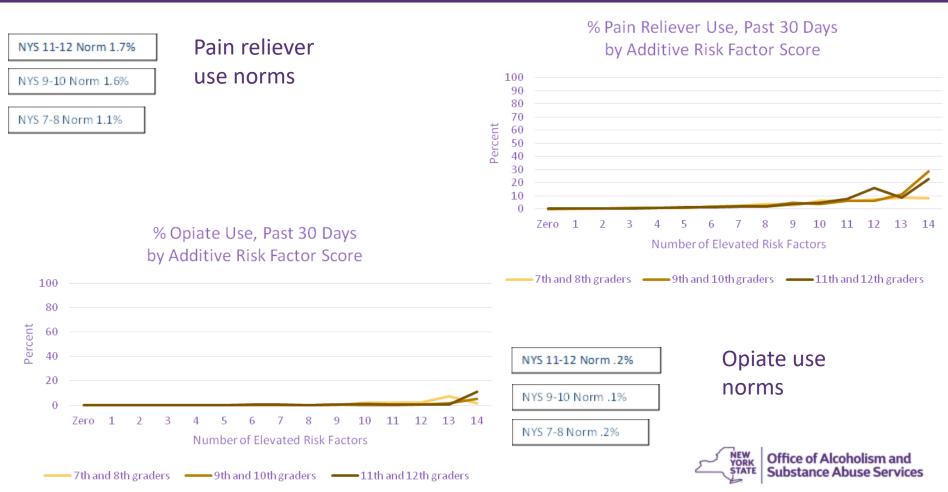
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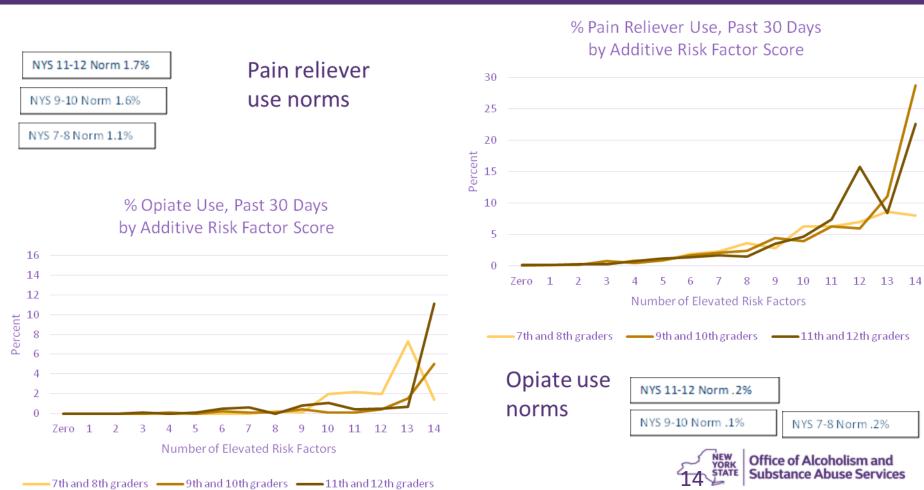
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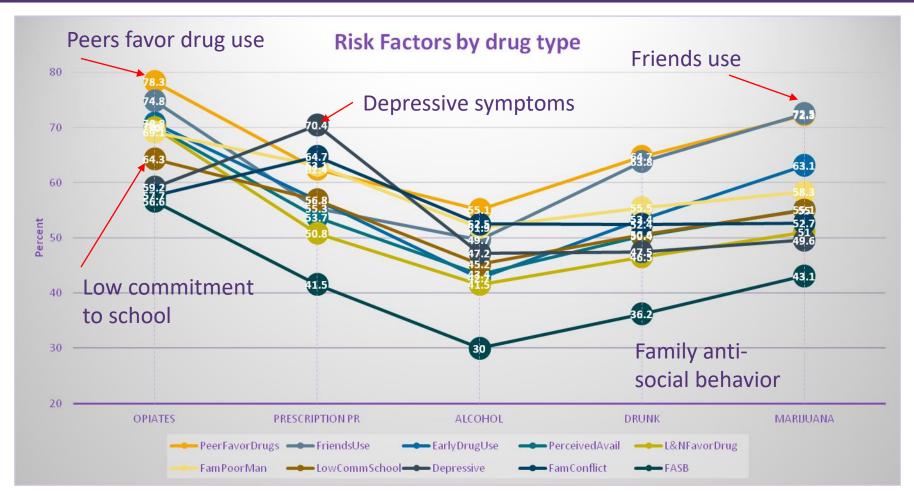
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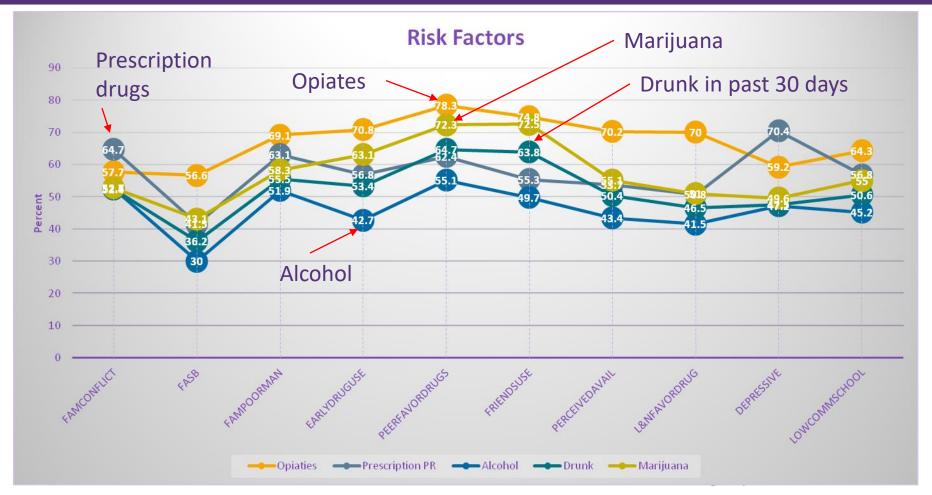
Marijuana use norms

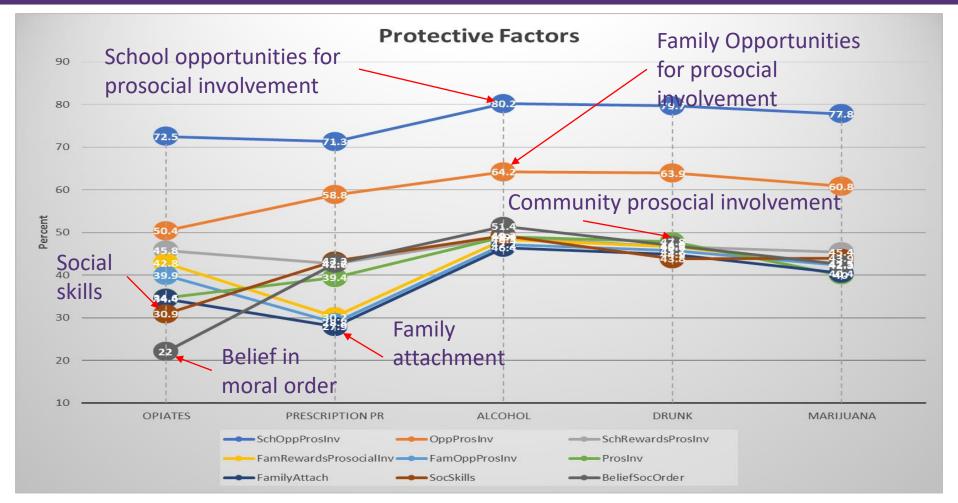


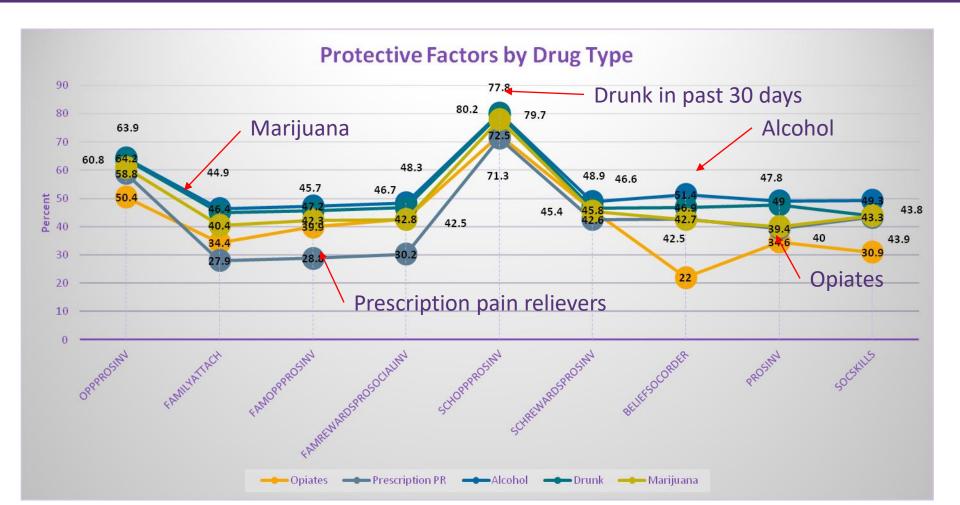


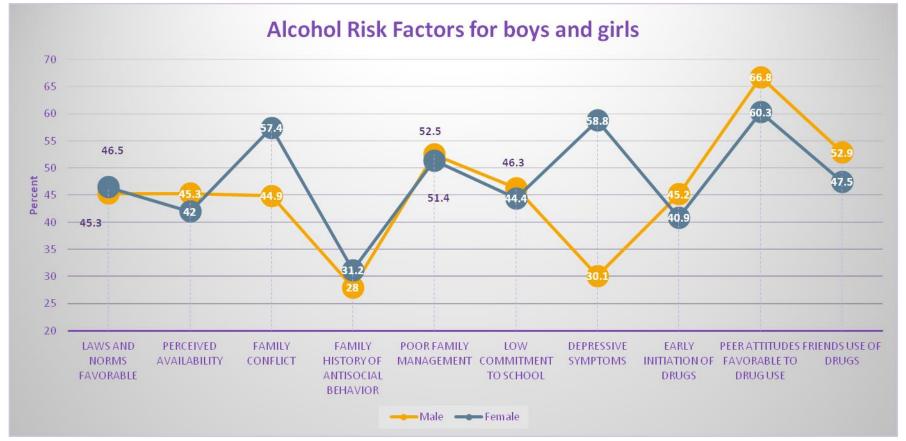


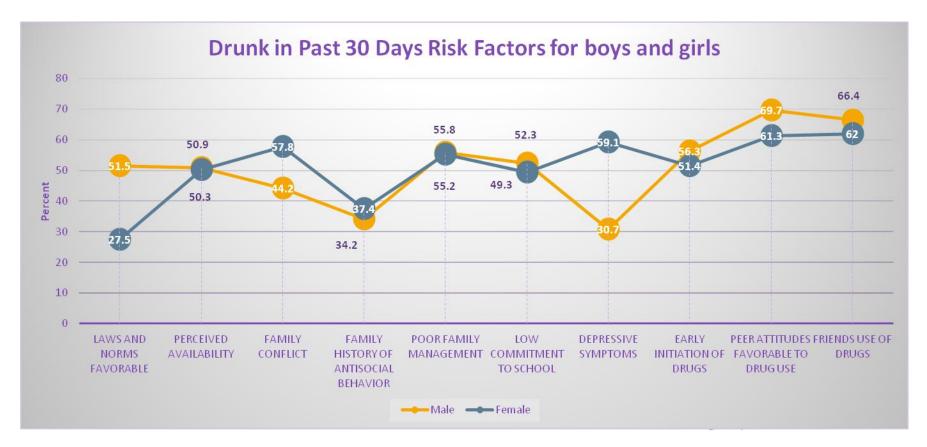


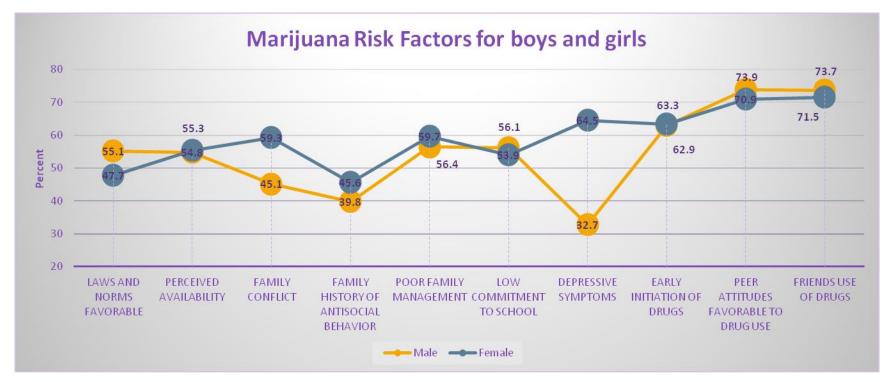




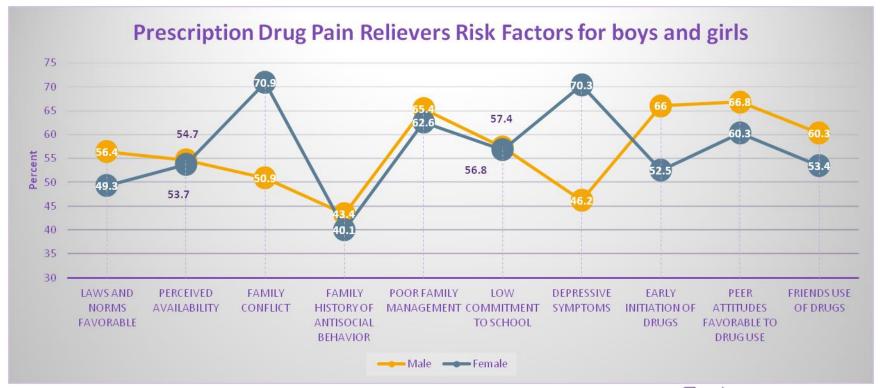




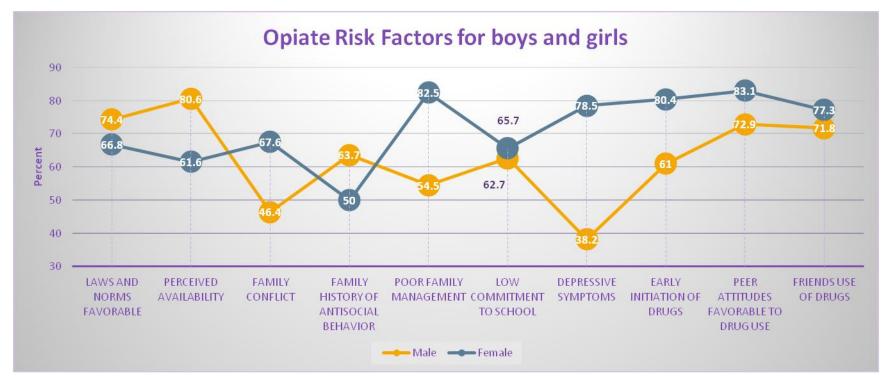






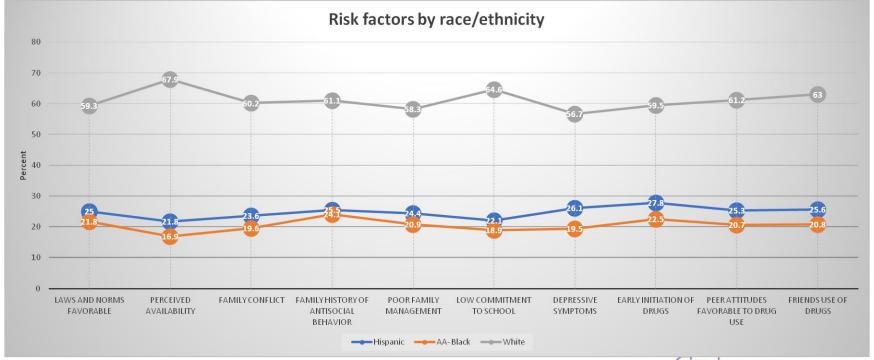




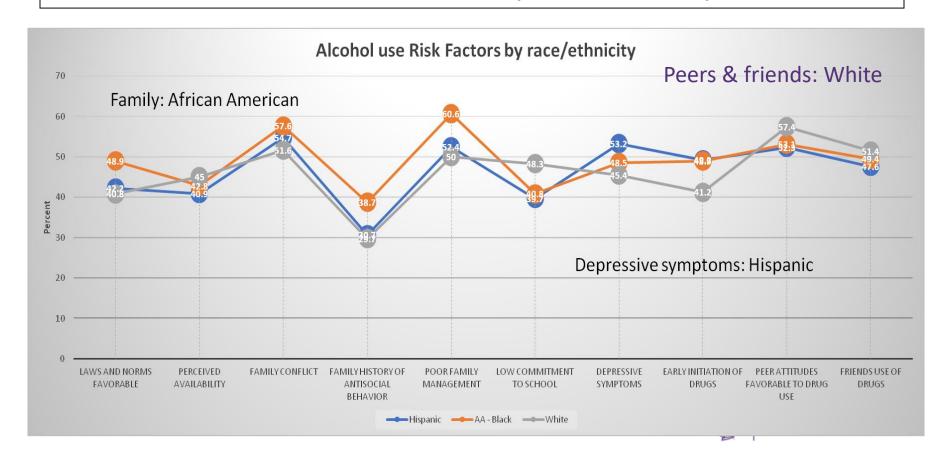


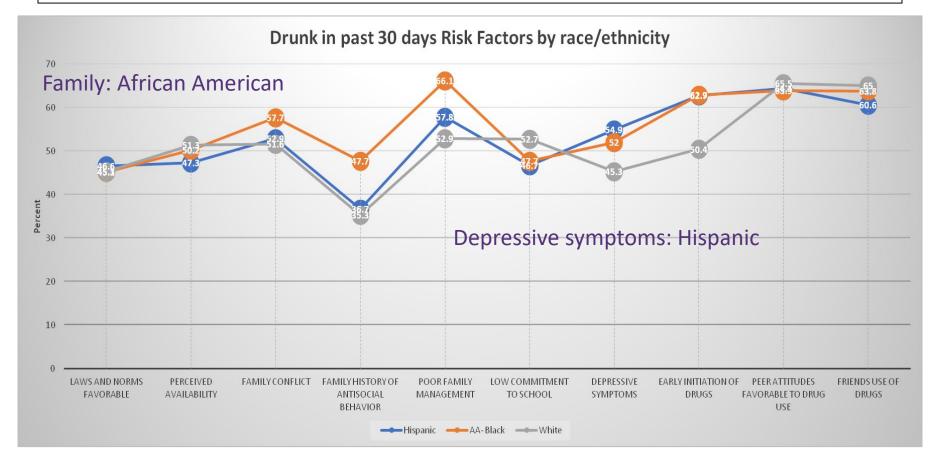


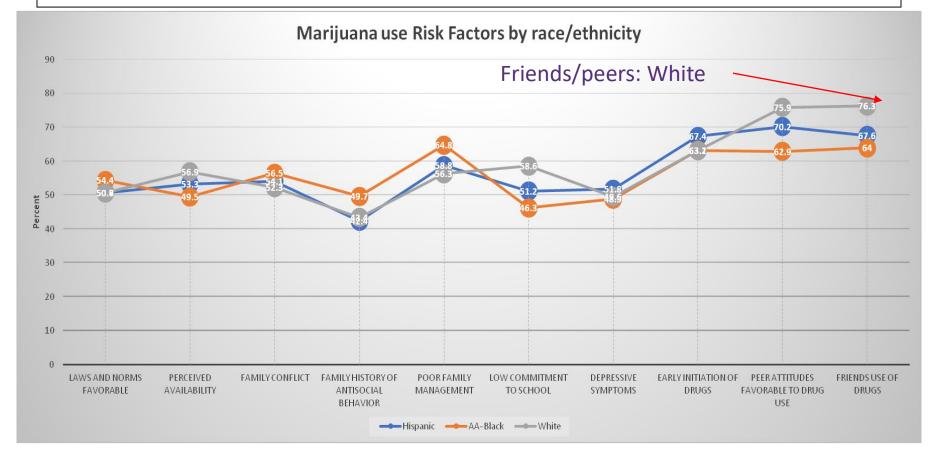
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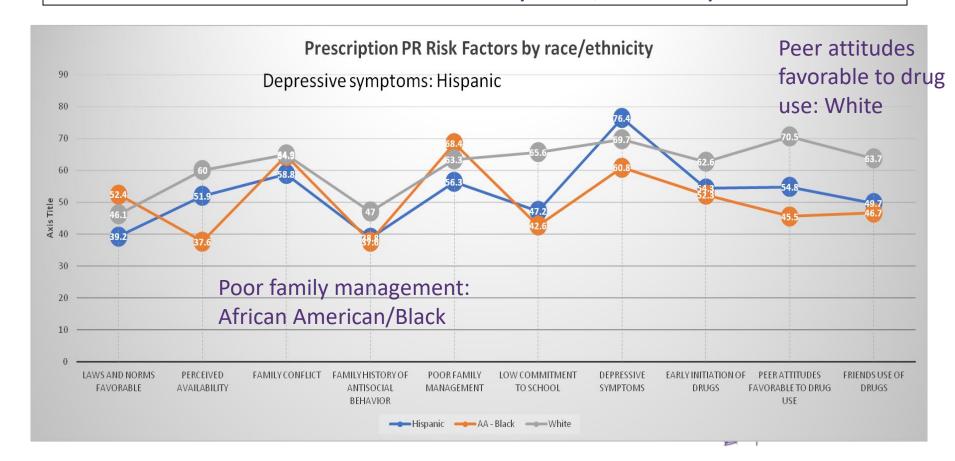


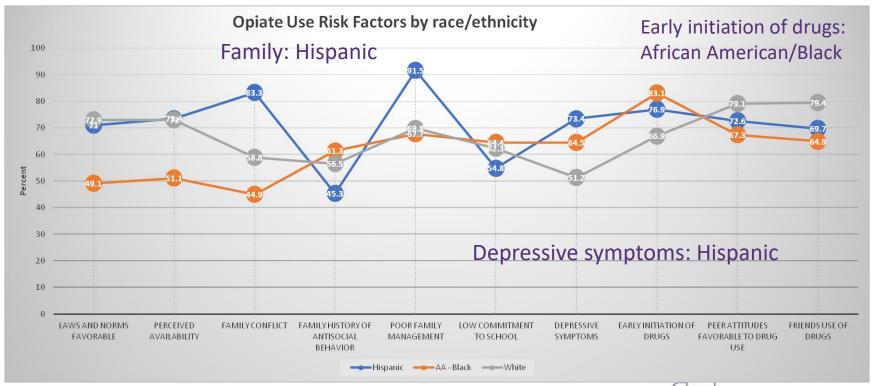






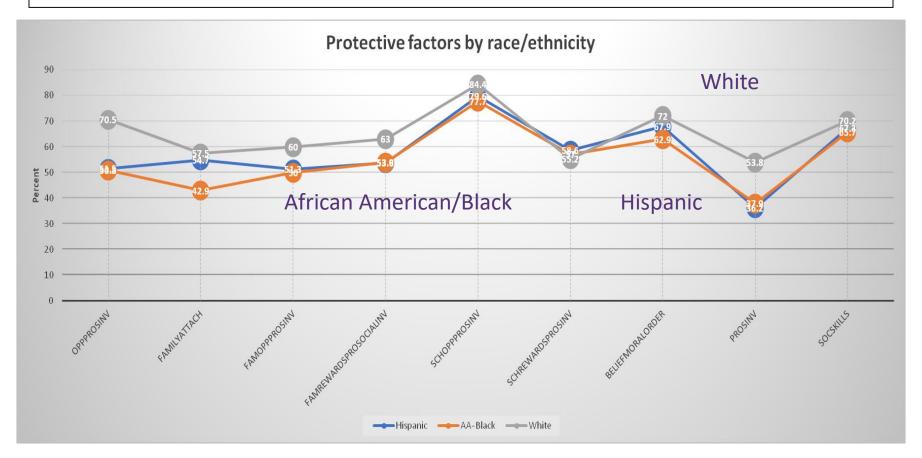




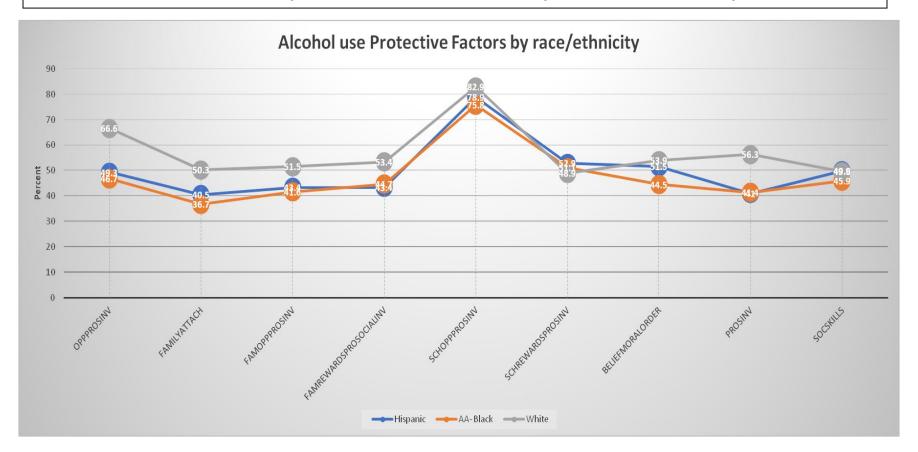




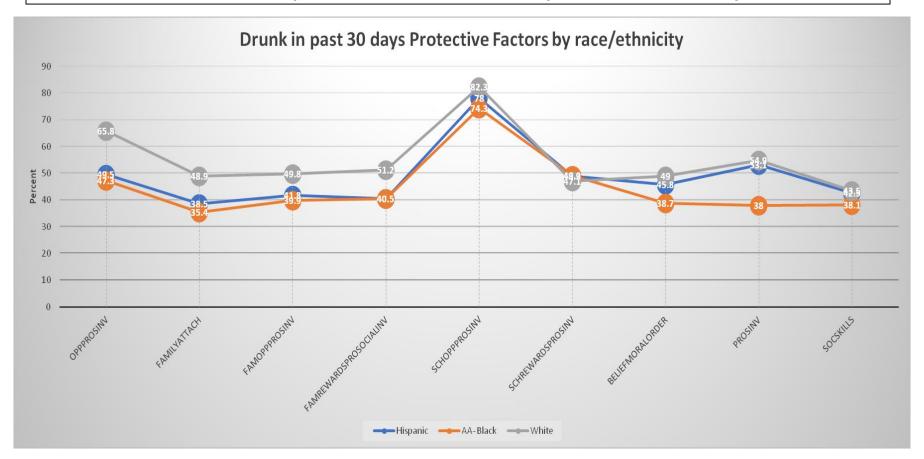
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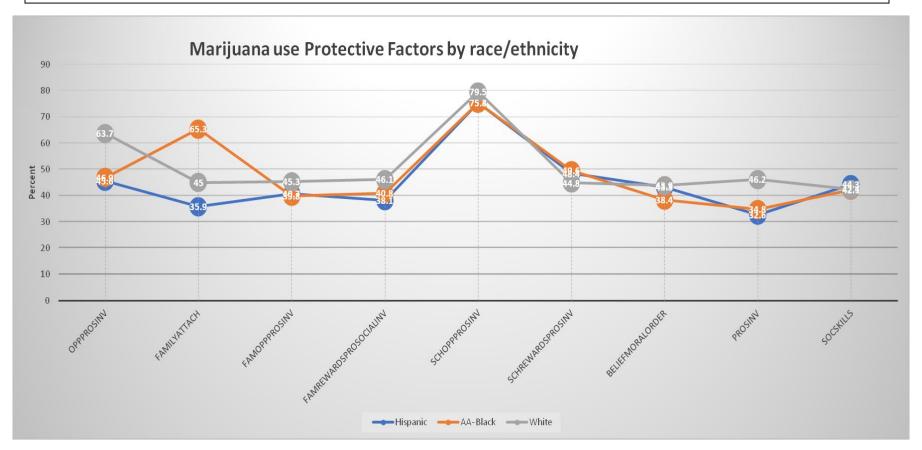
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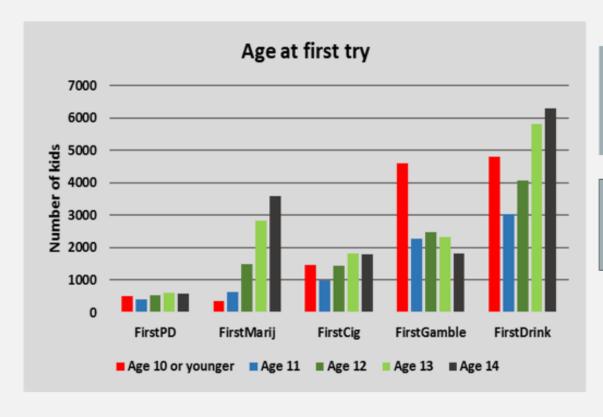


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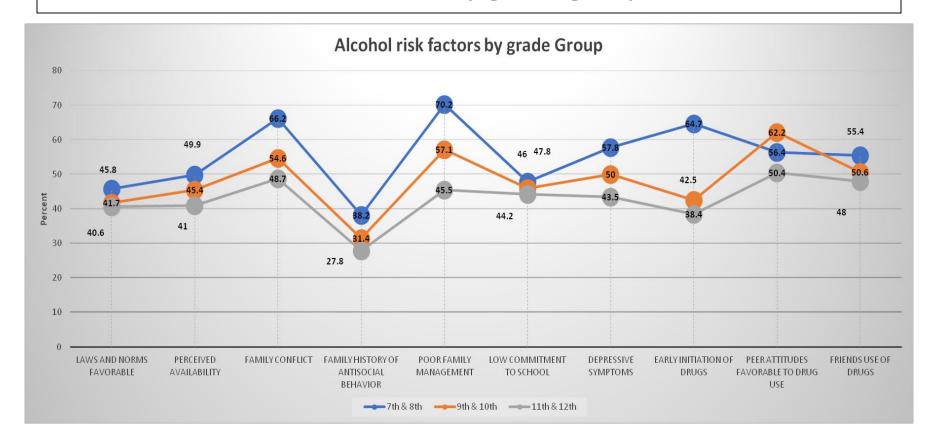




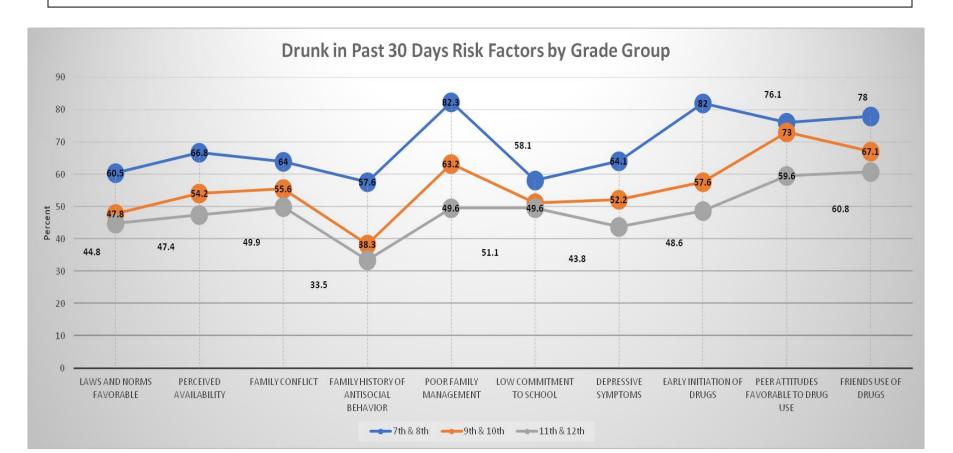
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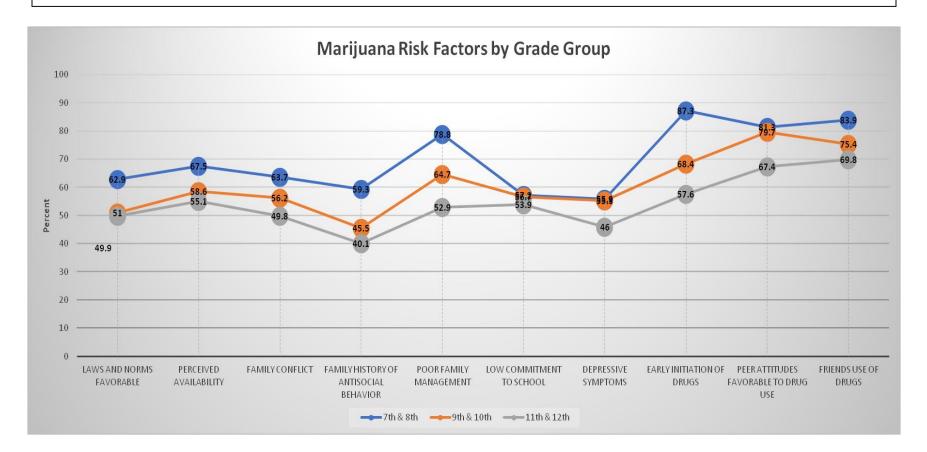
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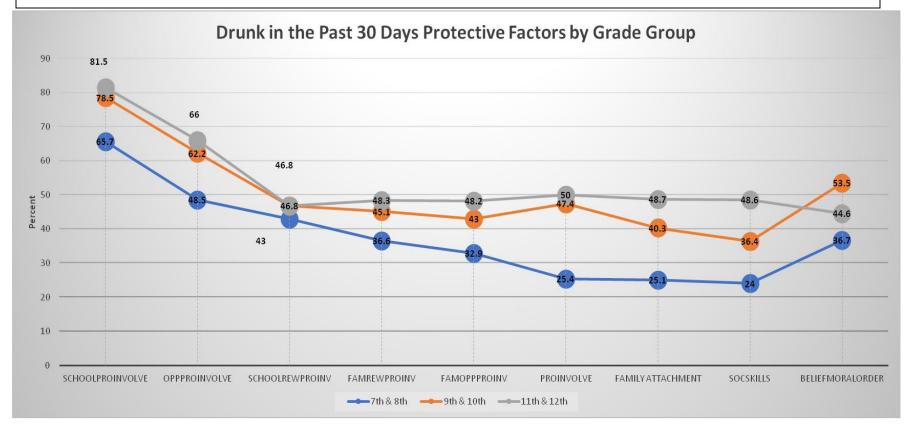


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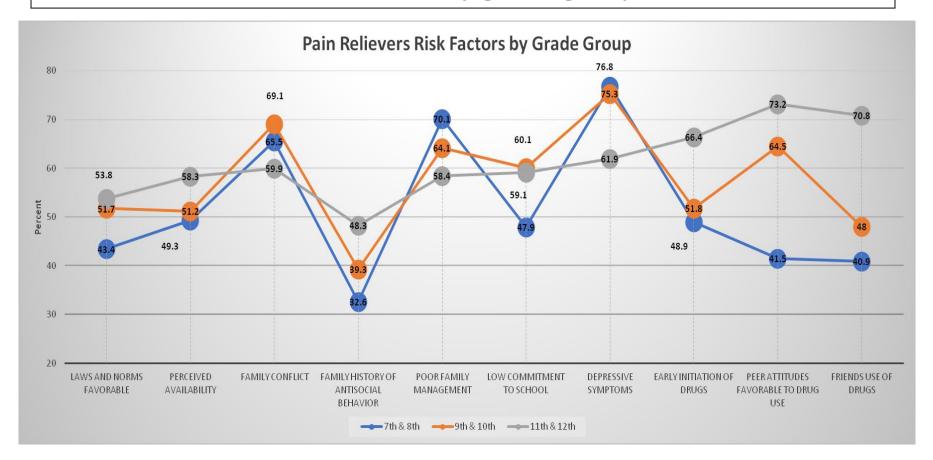


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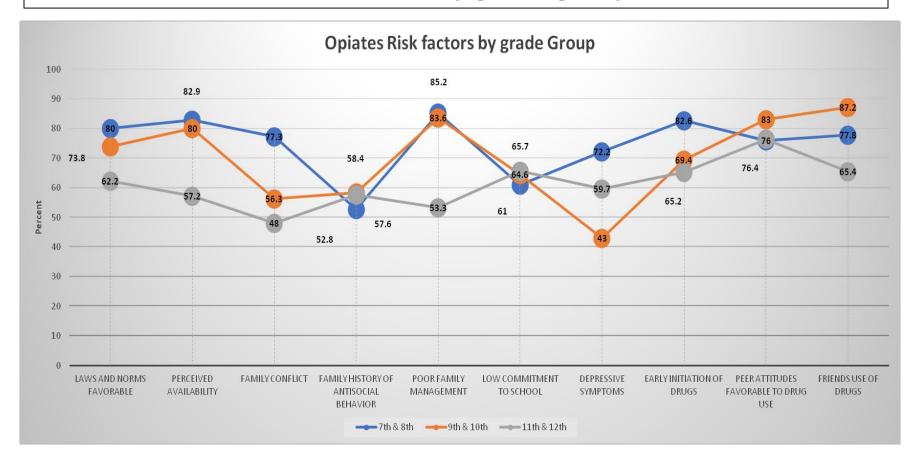


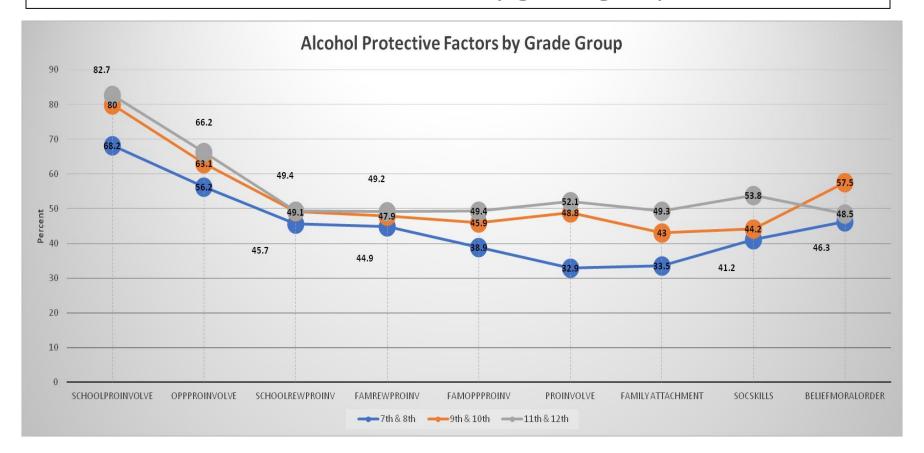


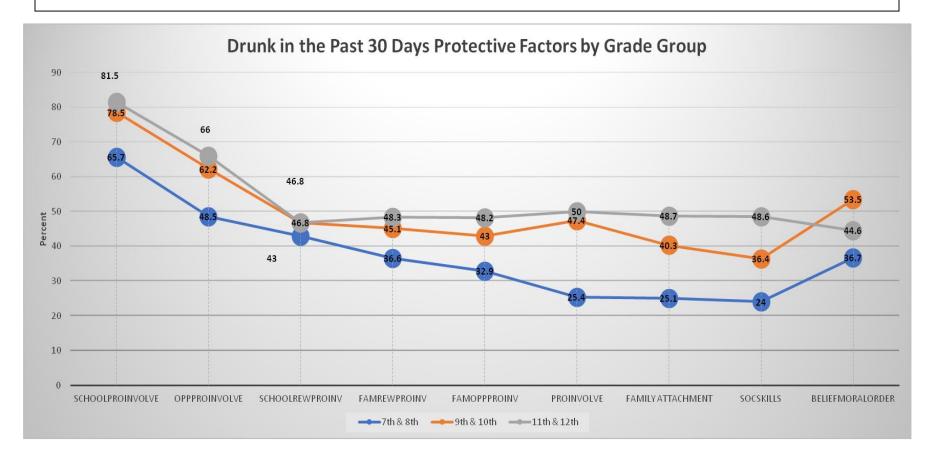
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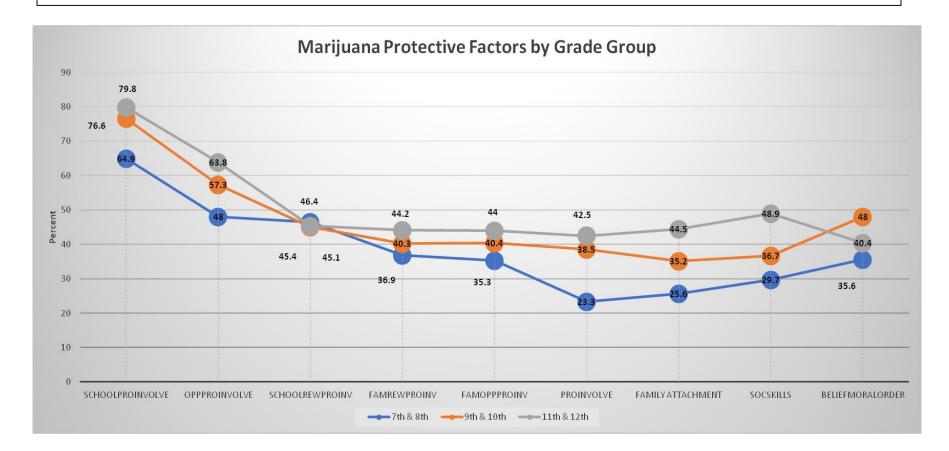


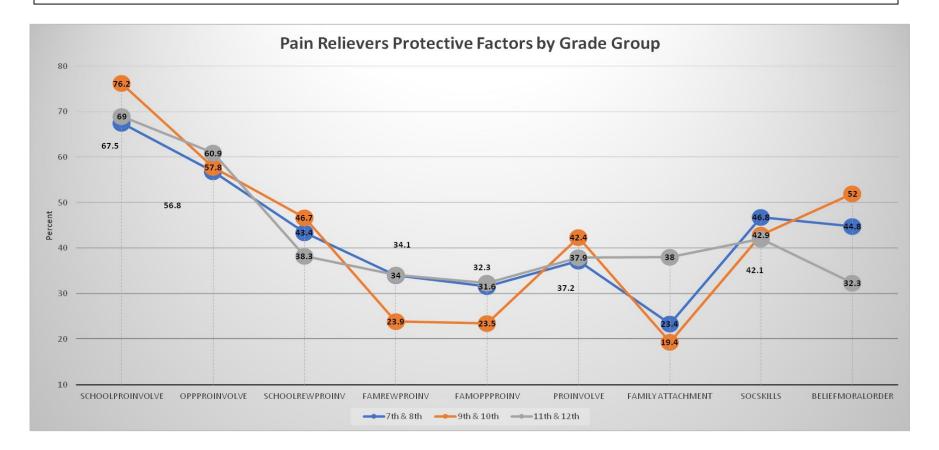
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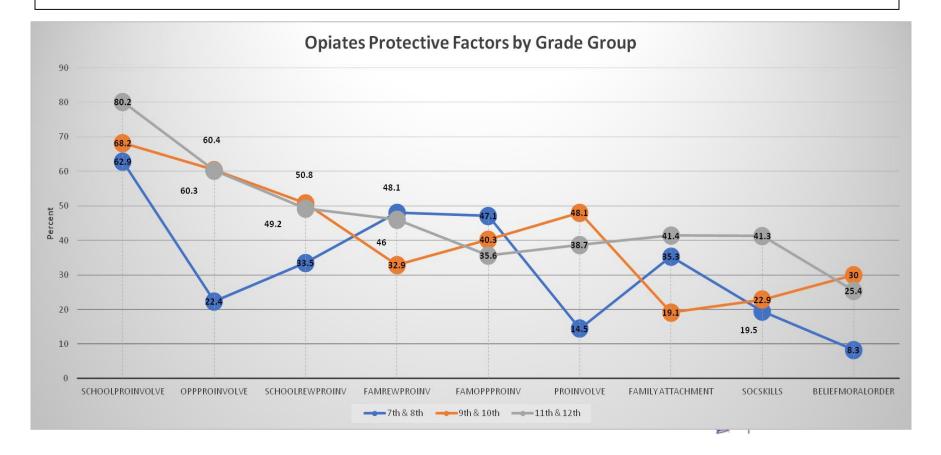




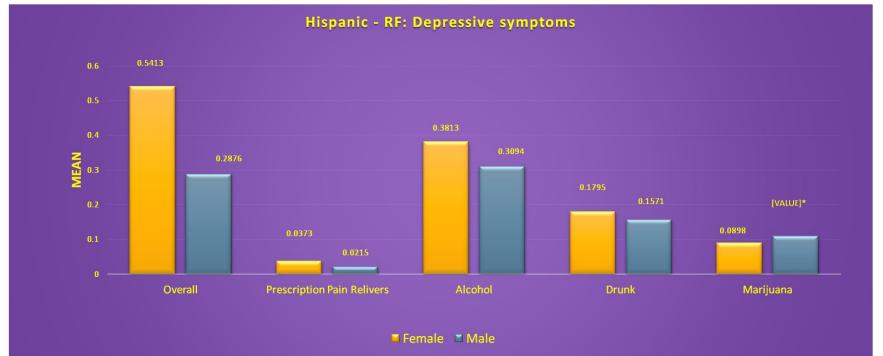




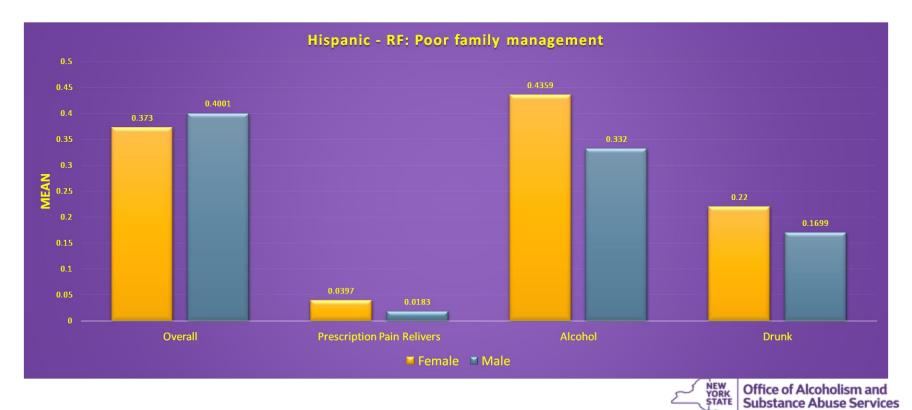




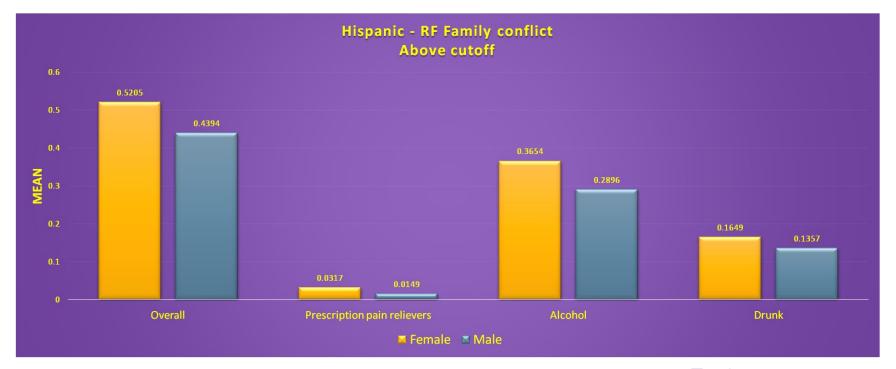
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Hispanic – Risk factor: Poor family management Above cutoff

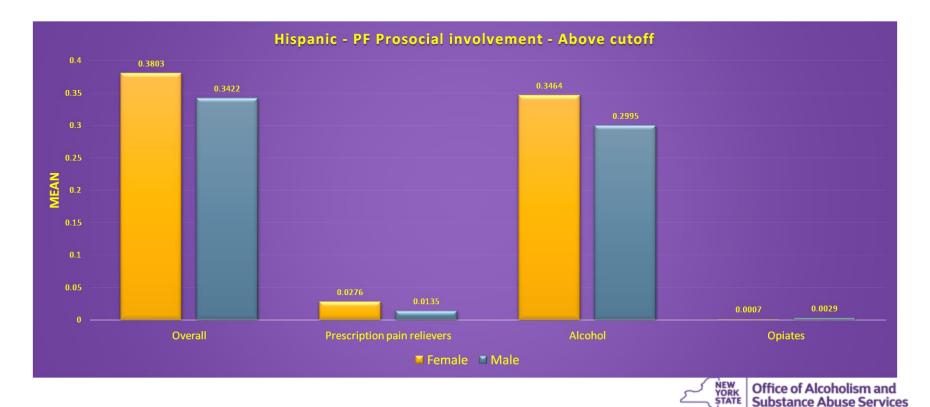


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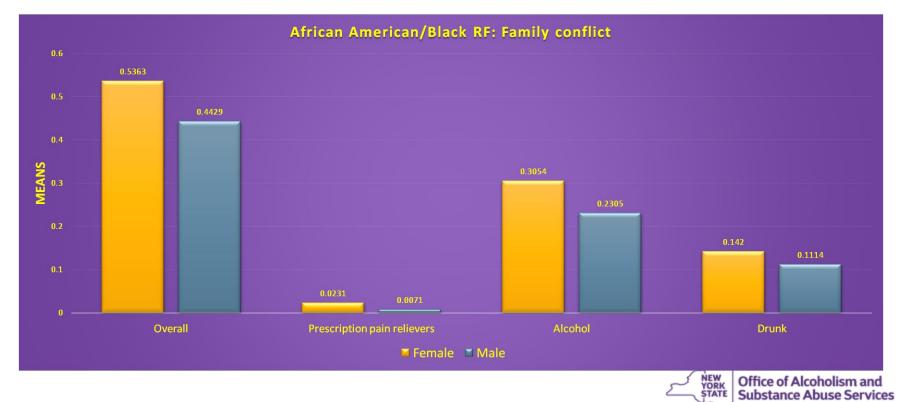
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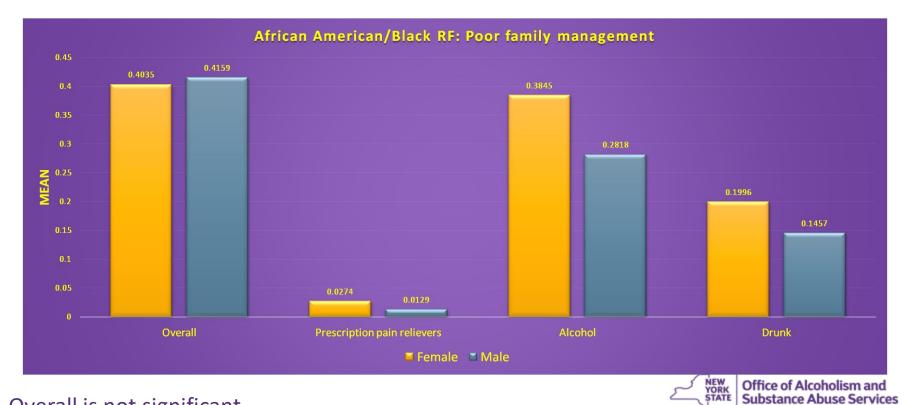
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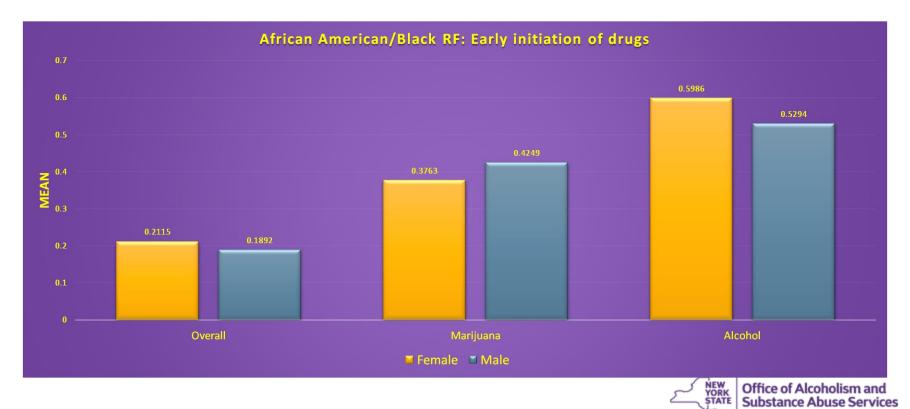
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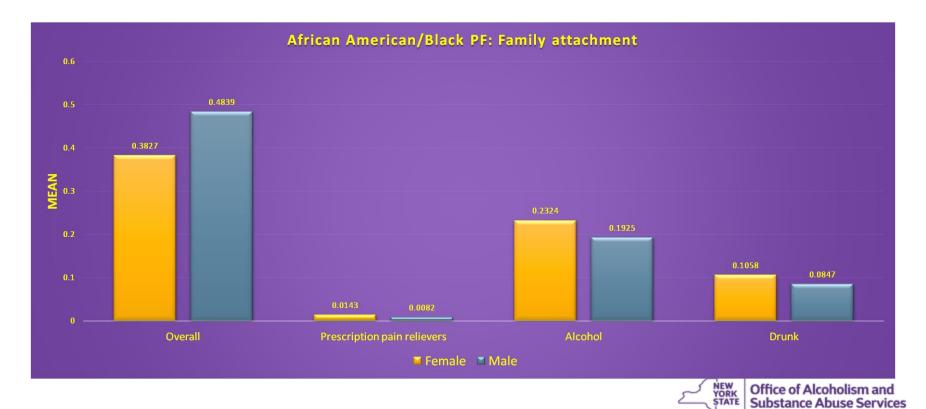
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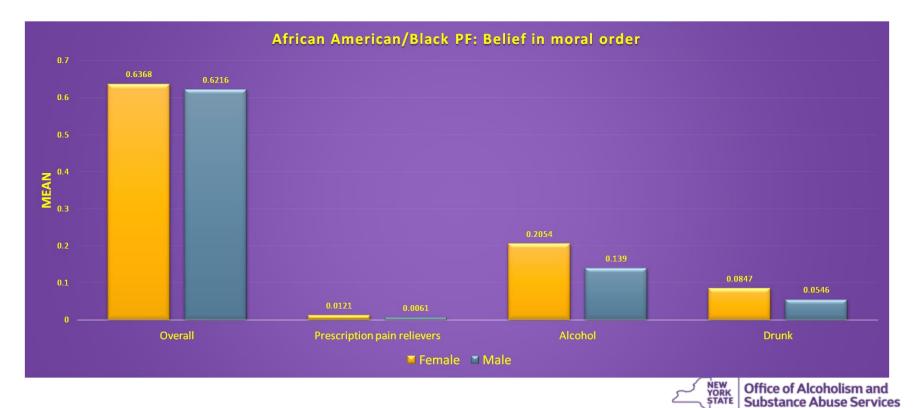
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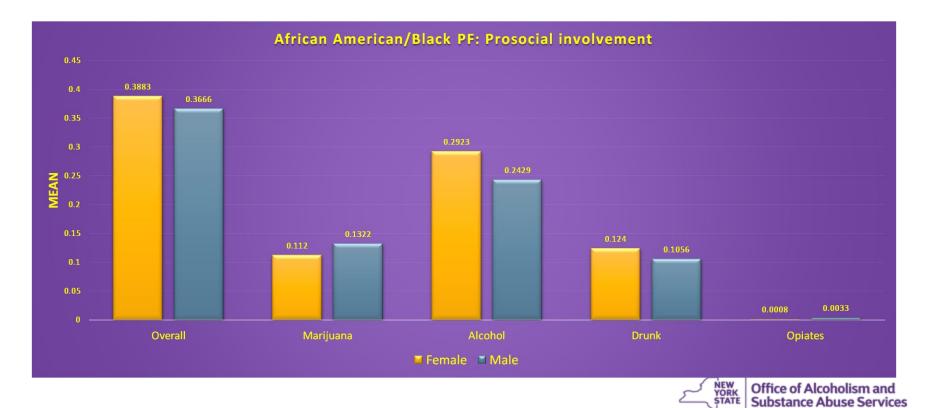
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