

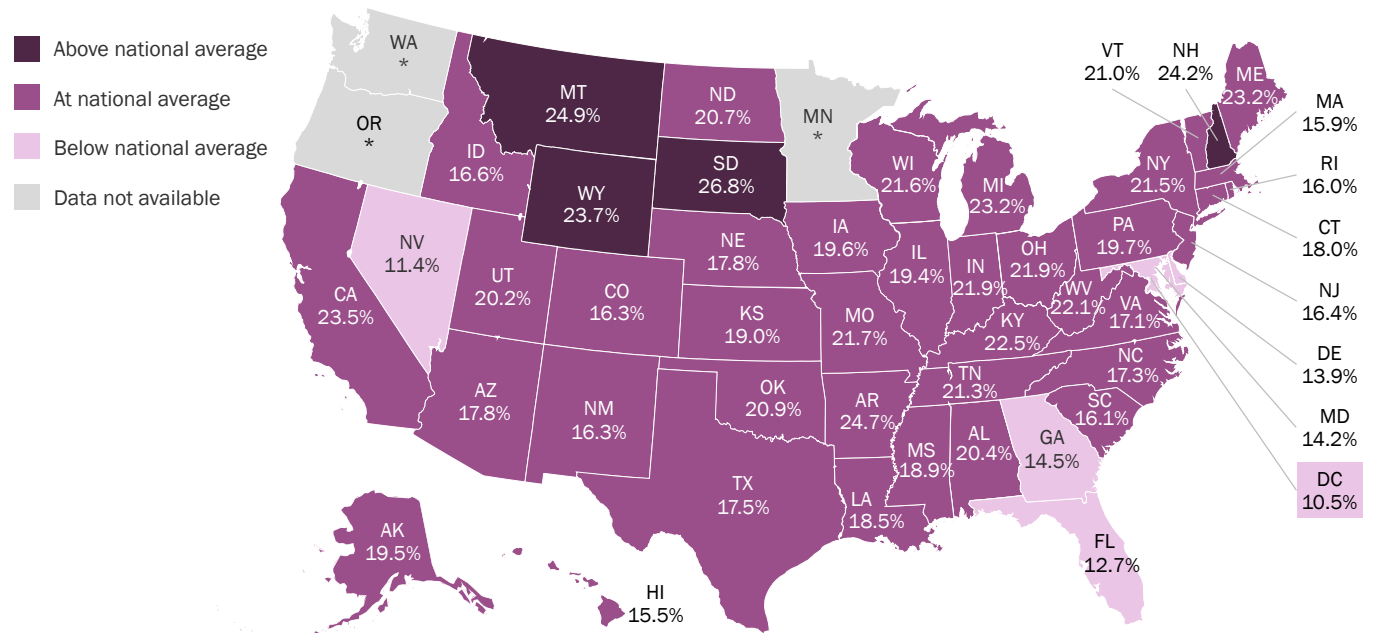
BULLYING VICTIMIZATION

Bullying victimization is defined as any unwanted aggressive behavior that is repeated over time and involves an imbalance of power or strength (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention [CDC], 2024). In 2023, 19.2% of U.S. youth in grades 9-12 reported being bullied on school property in the past 12 months. For states that provided youth data on bullying victimization, statistical comparisons of national and state data using 95% confidence intervals showed:

- **4** states were significantly above the national percentage
- **38** states were at the national percentage (i.e., state percentage not statistically different from the national percentage)
- **5** states and the District of Columbia were significantly below the national percentage

Bullying Victimization Among U.S. Youth in Grades 9-12, 2023

Comparison of State Percentage to National Percentage (19.2%)



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Data Sources: CDC Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System, 2023

Note: Alabama, Arizona, Colorado, Florida, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, and South Carolina data were based on YRBS 2021; California, Georgia, and New Jersey data were based on YRBS 2019; and Wyoming data was based on YRBS 2015. Vermont data were obtained from the Vermont Department of Health. Asterisk denotes data not available for Minnesota, Oregon, and Washington. New York data excludes New York City.