

Deviant Activities Inventory Results
Top 10 Deviant Acts

		Deviant Acts	2019	2020	2022	2023	2024	2026
1	(n=7)	Cheated on an exam or class assignment	62%	90%	92%	81%	92%	77%
2	(n=6)	Drank beer, wine, or liquor while underage	<25%	80%	85%	81%	69%	66%
3	(n=5)	Stolen or shoplifted items	38%	<25%	38%	37%	46%	55%
4	(n=4)	Driven a car without being legally licensed	43%	70%	69%	56%	46%	44%
5	(n=4)	Taken workplace items belonging to your employer	29%	50%	<25%	44%	38%	44%
6	(n=4)	Used marijuana	<25%	70%	46%	56%	69%	44%
7	(n=4)	Tried to hit/hurt another person in a fight	48%	80%	77%	50%	15%	44%
8	(n=3)	Been so drunk that couldn't remember the next day thing done or said	43%	50%	46%	37%	38%	33%
9	(n=3)	Driven a car at an excessively high speed (over 100 mph)	52%	50%	38%	50%	31%	33%
10	(n=3)	Used some other illegal drug						33%

<u>2026 Total Class Respondents</u>	<u>Median Number of Acts Committed</u>	<u>Mean Number of Acts Committed</u>	<u>Range of acts Committed</u>
9	5	6.22	0-16

What to make of the results?

1. Those attending college are supposed to represent the top of the meritocracy – exemplifying hard work and personal responsibility. They have also been assumed to reflect what's normal and be used as a measuring rod to assess the deviance of others. Are members of the class a valid measuring rod?
2. The inventory did not record whether anyone was caught and punished for their behavior. Do class members represent those who got away with deviance or are we the ones who got caught and maybe got religion and have become remorseful and reformed sinners?
3. Underage drinking is a behavior commonly engaged as a minor offense or benign. The legal ramifications, however, can include prosecution for misdemeanor or felony offenses that can result in significant fines and time in jail or prison. As an offense underage drinking is actually more serious than "unauthorized entry" into the country – something about which people feel comfortable in calling "illegal" and for which arrest, detention, and deportation are common. What does the distinction between the two suggest?