

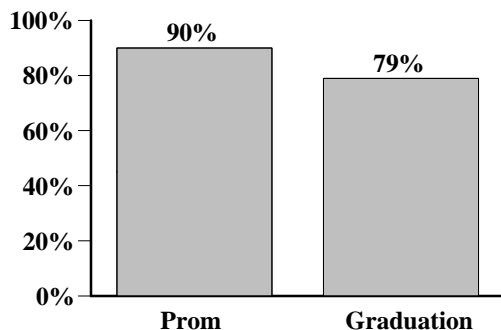
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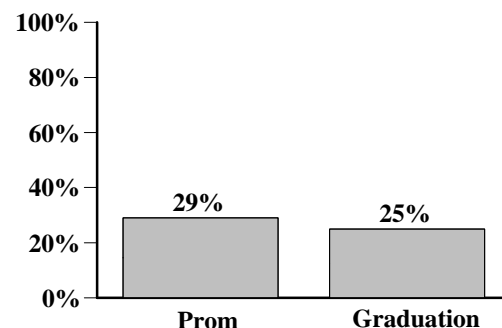
***Nearly All 11th and 12th Graders Believe Their Peers Are More Likely to Drink and Drive on Prom and Graduation Nights;
Less Than One-Third Think Driving on These Nights Is Dangerous***

Students may be more likely to drink and drive on prom and graduation nights, according to a survey of 11th and 12th grade students across the country. Nearly all of the students surveyed (90%) said that their peers are more likely to drink and drive on prom night, and 79% report the same for graduation night. Despite this belief, students do not seem to think that driving on these nights is dangerous. Less than one-third (29%) reported that they believe that driving on prom night comes with a high degree of danger, and 25% said the same for graduation night. These findings suggest that there is a need to provide high school students with prevention messages that paint an accurate picture of the risks and consequences from drinking and driving during prom and graduation season.

While the Majority of 11th and 12th Graders Believe That Their Peers Are More Likely to Drink and Drive on Prom Night and Graduation Night . . .



. . . Considerably Less Believe That Driving on These Nights Comes with a High Degree of Danger



NOTES: The survey was conducted by ORC Guideline for Liberty Mutual and Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD). A total of 2,531 11th and 12th graders from 25 randomly recruited high schools across the country were surveyed in the Fall of 2009. The margin of error is +/- 1.7 percent.

SOURCE: Adapted by CESAR from data from Liberty Mutual/SADD, "Study Shows 90 Percent of Teens Admit Stronger Likelihood of Drinking and Driving on Prom Night, Yet Less Than One-Third See Dangers," Press Release, 2010.

Live Training Programs on Office-Based Buprenorphine Treatment

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