

**Excerpts from the 2008 Georgia Student Health Survey  
Prepared for the Cobb Alcohol Taskforce**

The following charts illustrate the demographics of student survey respondents from Marietta School District and all schools in Georgia. Graphs that follow illustrate a comparison of excerpted alcohol related survey questions and student response rates from Marietta School District and all schools in Georgia. For the complete survey report, check out the following link [www.cobbk12.org/preventionintervention](http://www.cobbk12.org/preventionintervention)

The Georgia Student Health Survey is administered through the internet to students in grades 6, 8, 10, and 12 every year during the month of October. This section of the 2008 survey will serve as baseline data for the Marietta School District.

**Marietta School District Demographics**

Frequency Col Pct	Table of Gender by Grade					
	Gender(Gender)	Grade(Grade)				Total
		6	8	10	12	
Female	202 53.16	174 45.31	97 45.54	116 58.59	589	
Male	178 46.84	210 54.69	116 54.46	82 41.41	586	
<b>Total</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>384</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>1175</b>	

Frequency Col Pct	Table of Ethnicity by Grade					
	Ethnicity(Ethnicity)	Grade(Grade)				Total
		6	8	10	12	
Black	160 42.11	175 45.57	80 37.56	76 38.38	491	
Hispanic	107 28.16	119 30.99	39 18.31	34 17.17	299	
White	72 18.95	53 13.80	62 29.11	67 33.84	254	
Asian	8 2.11	9 2.34	12 5.63	2 1.01	31	
Other	33 8.68	28 7.29	20 9.39	19 9.60	100	
<b>Total</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>384</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>1175</b>	

## Georgia Demographics

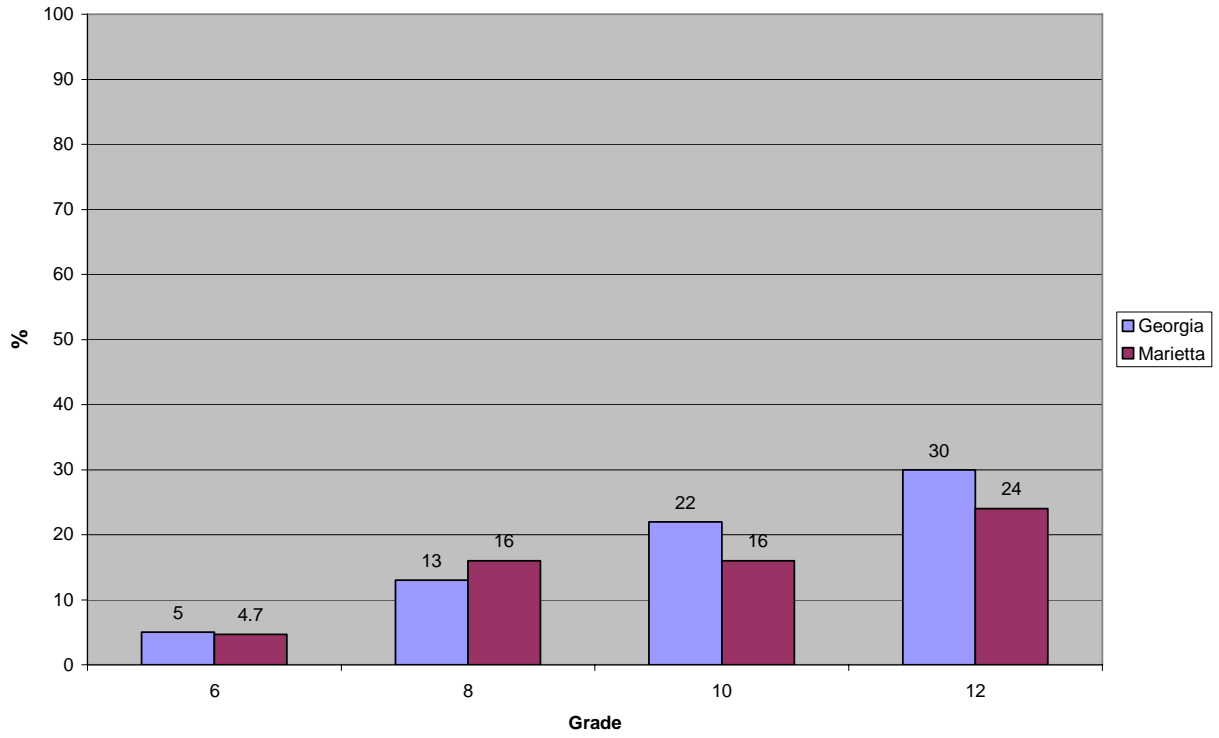
Frequency  
Col Pct

Table of Gender by Grade					
Gender(Gender)	Grade(Grade)				Total
	6	8	10	12	
<b>Female</b>	32704 50.04	34209 51.30	25384 52.33	20599 52.73	112896
<b>Male</b>	32646 49.96	32473 48.70	23125 47.67	18463 47.27	106707
<b>Total</b>	65350	66682	48509	39062	219603

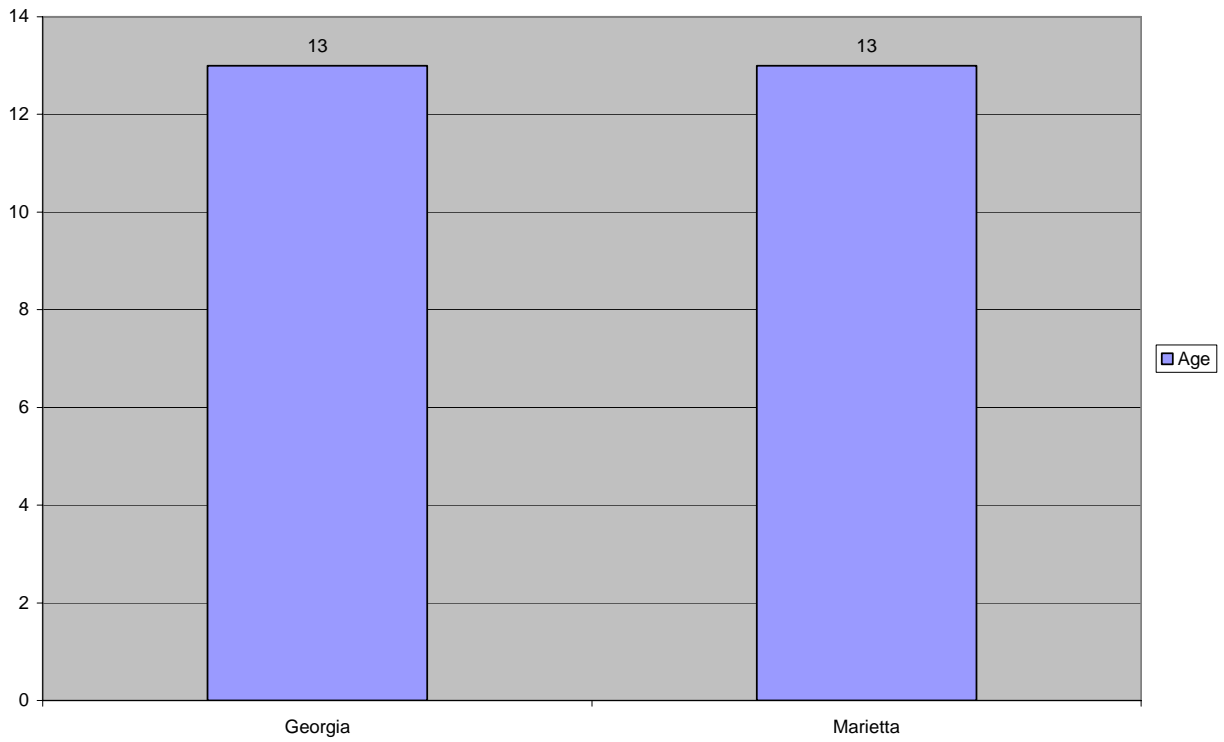
Frequency  
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Table of Ethnicity by Grade					
Ethnicity(Ethnicity)	Grade(Grade)				Total
	6	8	10	12	
<b>Black</b>	22552 34.51	24277 36.41	16445 33.90	14034 35.93	77308
<b>Hispanic</b>	5492 8.40	5465 8.20	3231 6.66	2127 5.45	16315
<b>White</b>	31627 48.40	31675 47.50	24938 51.41	19986 51.16	108226
<b>Asian</b>	1877 2.87	1990 2.98	1553 3.20	1223 3.13	6643
<b>Other</b>	3802 5.82	3275 4.91	2342 4.83	1692 4.33	11111
<b>Total</b>	65350	66682	48509	39062	219603

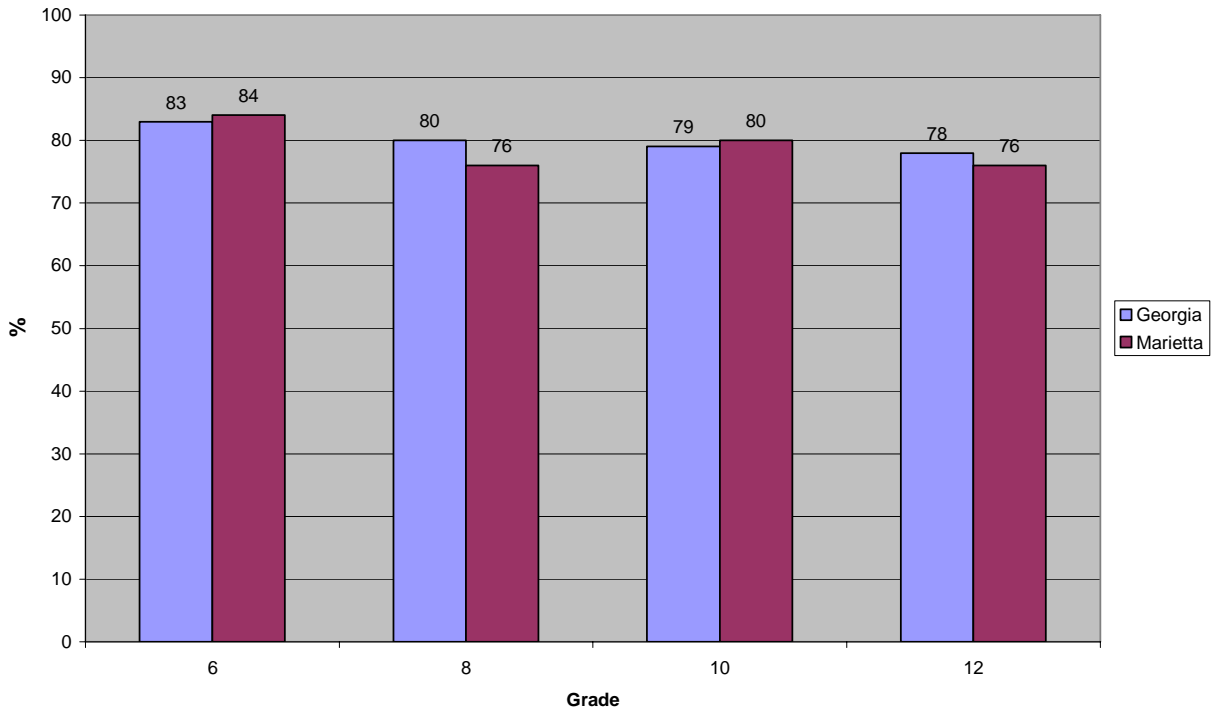
### Alcohol use in the past 30 days



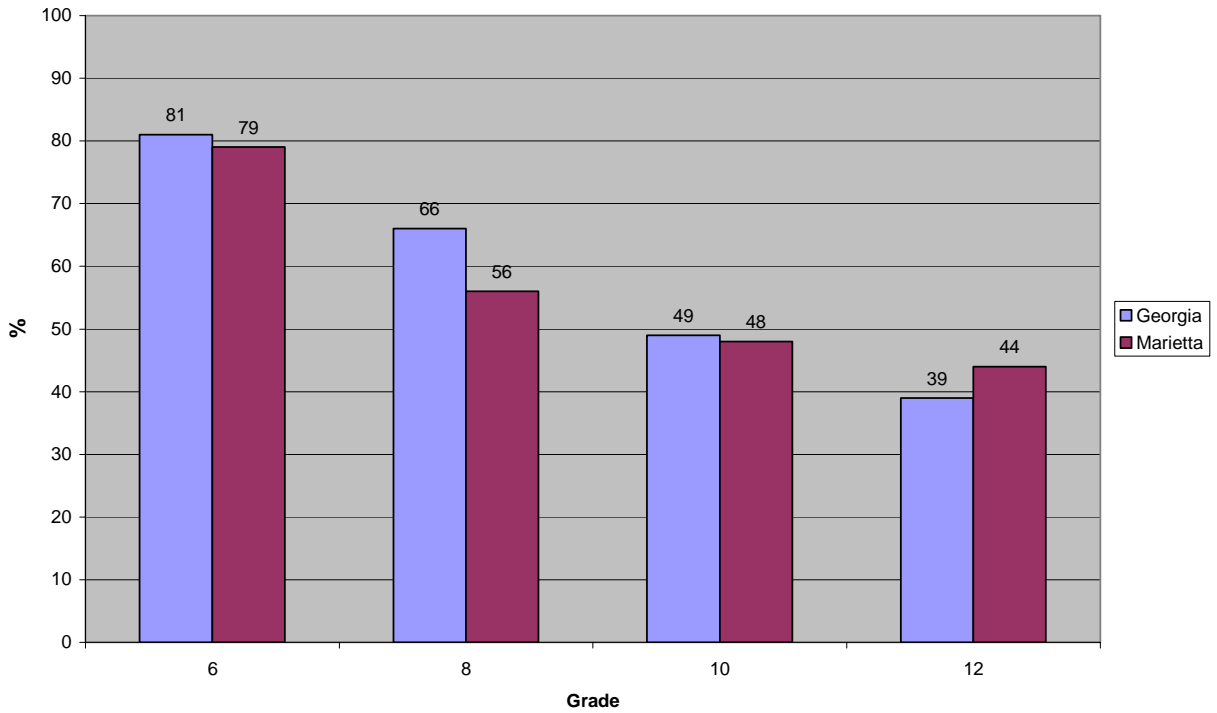
### Age of first use



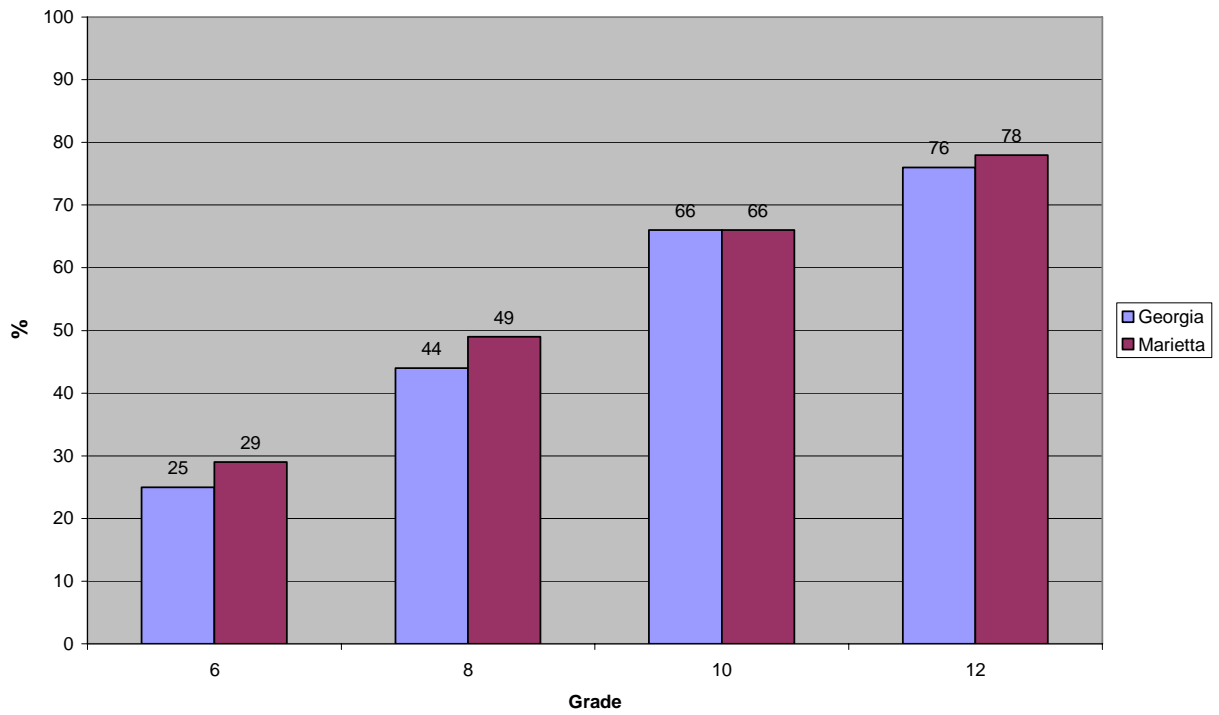
**I think Alcohol is Harmful**  
(% that answered yes)



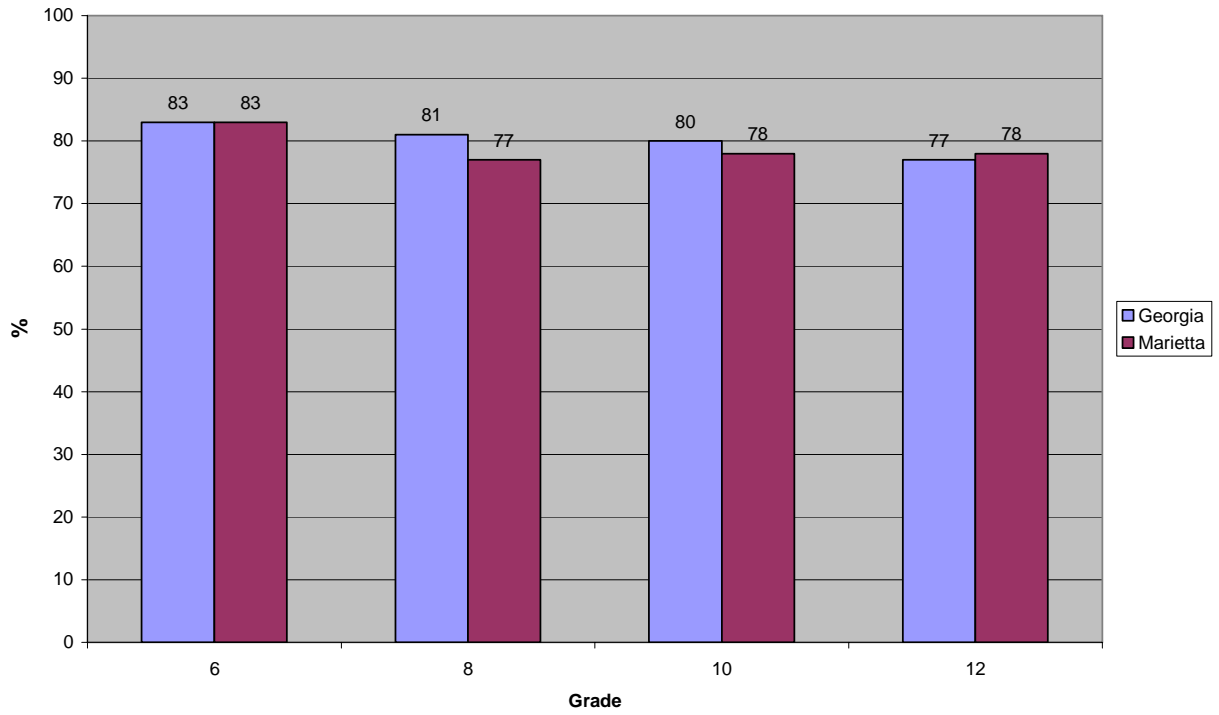
**Friends would disapprove of my use of alcohol**  
(% that answered yes)



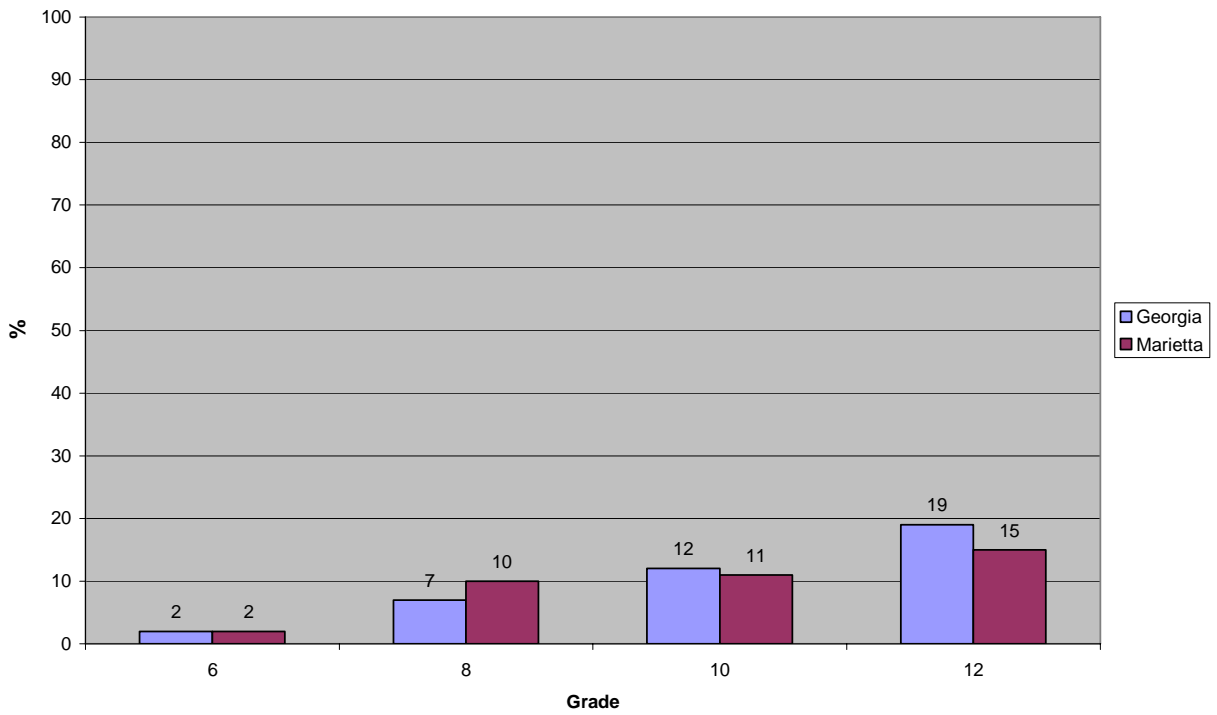
**Alcohol is easy to get**  
(% that answered yes)



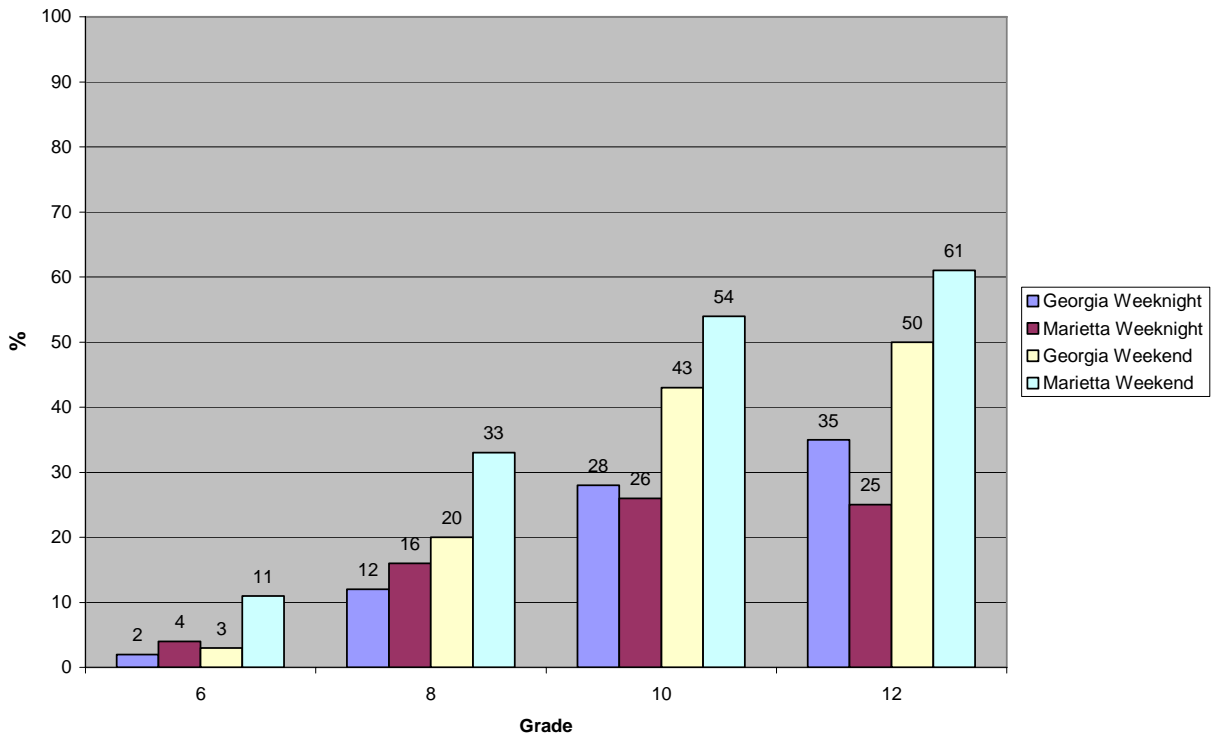
**Adults would disapprove of my use of alcohol**  
(% that answered yes)



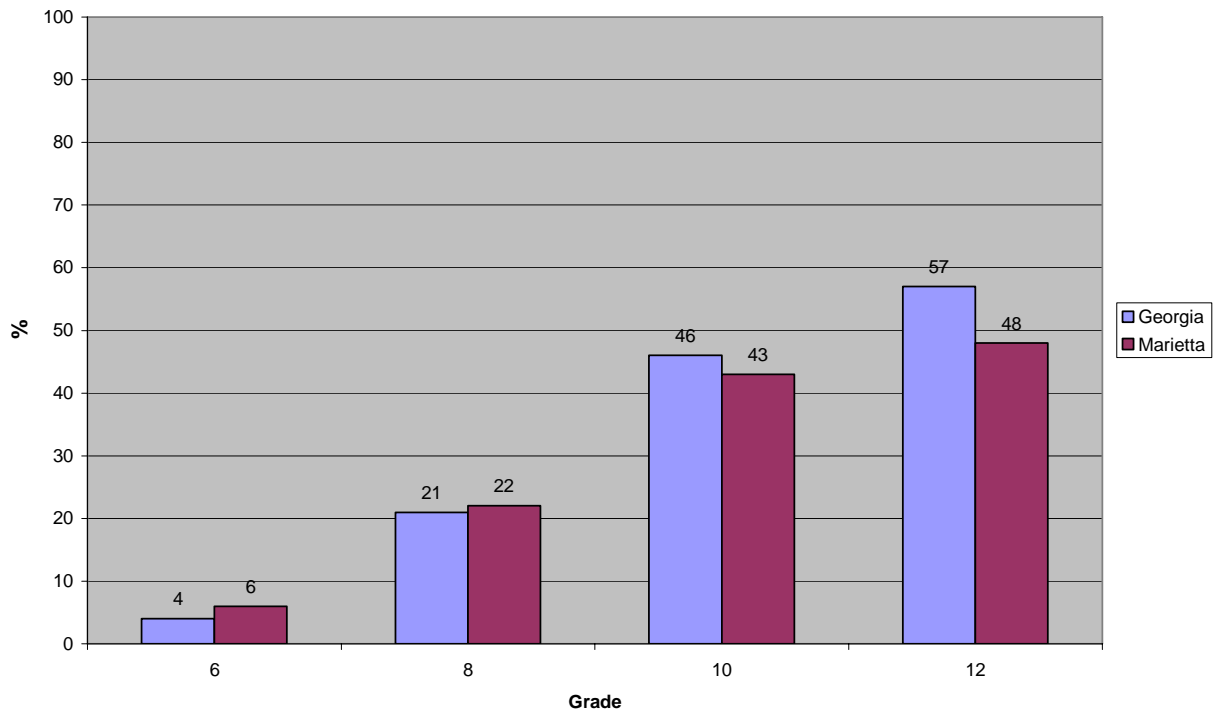
**Binge drinking**  
 (% that answered yes to having 5 or more drinks at one sitting)



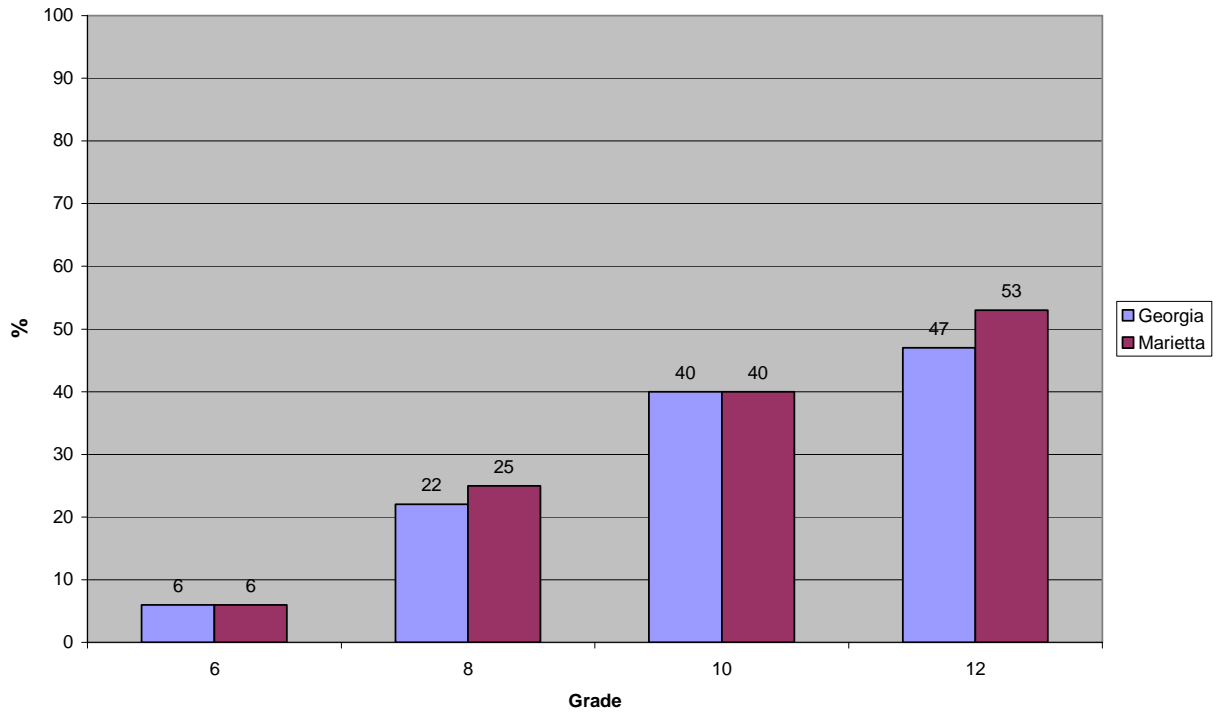
**Times friends use alcohol**



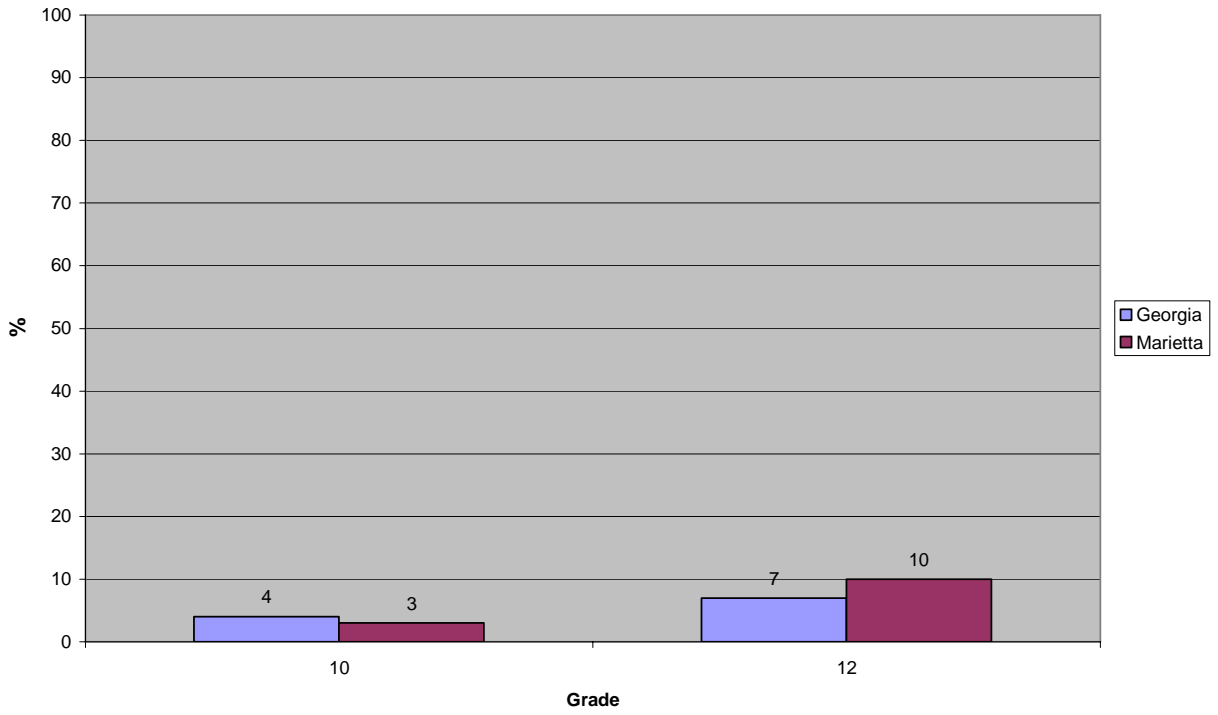
**Alcohol use at a friends house**  
(% that answered yes)



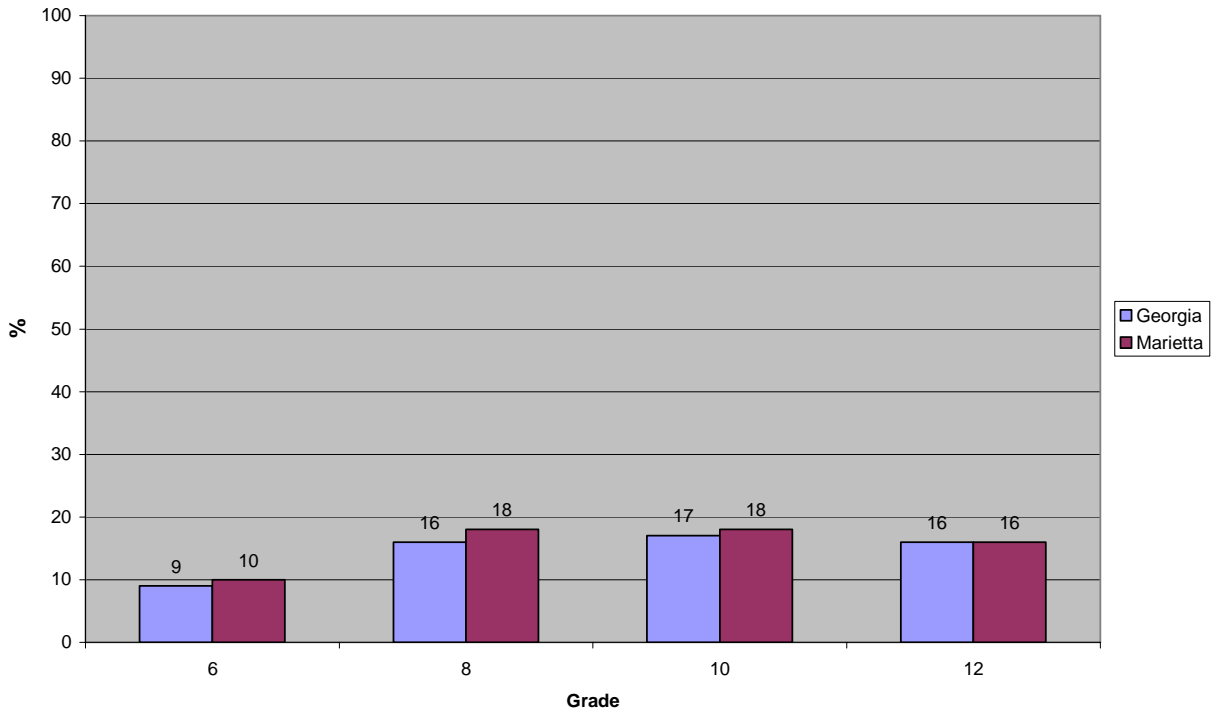
**Friends use Alcohol at home**  
(% that answered yes)



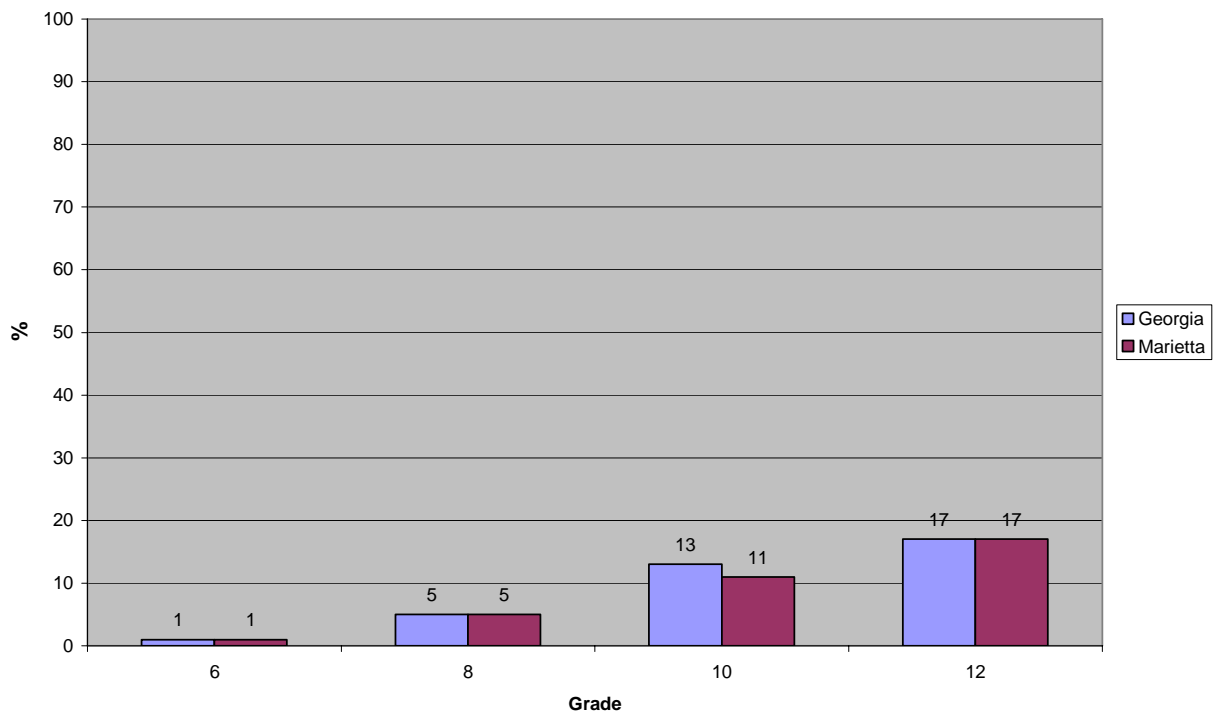
**Drove while drinking**  
(% that answered yes)



**Ridden in a car with an intoxicated driver**  
(% that answered yes)



**Alcohol use in a car  
(% that answered yes)**



**Analysis findings and general trends from the survey illustrate:**

- **As students get older**
  - **Use of alcohol increases**
  - **Perceptions of harm decrease**
  - **Perceptions of disapproval decrease**
  - **Risky behaviors increase**

**Marietta students reported less 30 day alcohol use than the state and also less binge drinking than the state. Marietta students reported higher weekend alcohol use than the state.**