

GOAL 7: Safe, Disciplined, and Alcohol- and Drug-free Schools

State Indicator 27. Student Victimization

Have states¹ reduced the percentages of public high school students reporting that they were threatened or injured with a weapon such as a gun, knife, or club on school property during the past 12 months?

↑	Better	1 state
↔	No Change	23 states
↓	Worse	0 states

Improvement over time

Between 1993 and 1997, 1 state (out of 24) significantly reduced the percentage of public high school students reporting that they were threatened or injured with a weapon such as a gun, knife, or club on school property during the past 12 months:

- American Samoa

Highest-performing states*

States with the lowest percentages of public high school students reporting that they were threatened or injured with a weapon such as a gun, knife, or club on school property during the past 12 months:

	(1997)
South Dakota	5%
Connecticut	6%
Hawaii	6%
Iowa	7%
Kentucky	7%
Montana	7%
New York	7%
Ohio	7%
Vermont	7%
Wyoming	7%

Indicators are not the same at the national and state levels.

* Top 10 states (out of 24).

Most-improved states

States that made the greatest reductions in the percentages of public high school students reporting that they were threatened or injured with a weapon such as a gun, knife, or club on school property during the past 12 months:

	(1993)	(1997)	Change*
American Samoa	15%	9%	-6

* Differences between the first two columns may differ slightly from the figures reported in the "change" column due to rounding.

¹ The term "state" is used to refer to the 50 states, the District of Columbia, and the outlying areas.