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Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

	FY13 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY13 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
			FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY13	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18
Personal Services							
Travel							
Services							
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants, Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002	Federal Receipts							
1003	GF Match							
1004	GF							
1005	GF/Prgm (DGF)							
1037	GF/MH (UGF)							
1178	temp code (UGF)							
TOTAL		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

POSITIONS

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

CHANGE IN REVENUES

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Estimated **SUPPLEMENTAL (FY12) operating costs** _____ (separate supplemental appropriation required;
 (discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Estimated **CAPITAL (FY13) costs** _____ (separate capital appropriation required)
 (discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version (if initial version, please note as such)

Updated fiscal note to reflect current fiscal year.

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Analysis

This legislation removes the requirement that a student's parent or legal guardian must provide written permission before a student can participate in the Youth Risk Behavior Survey. It requires the school district to provide notice of the survey and give the parent or legal guardian the opportunity to deny permission.

There is no fiscal impact on the Department of Health and Social Services.

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Requester House Education Committee OMB Component Number 2796

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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Travel							
Services							
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants, Benefits	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Miscellaneous							
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POSITIONS							
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Part-time							
Temporary							

CHANGE IN REVENUES							

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY12) operating costs _____ (separate supplemental appropriation required)
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY13) costs _____ (separate capital appropriation required)
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

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Initial FY13 fiscal note.

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Analysis

This legislation has no fiscal impact on the Department of Education and Early Development.

This bill would return the administration of the Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) to passive parental consent from active parental consent.

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MEMORANDUM

February 23, 2012

SUBJECT: Revised sectional summary (SB 8; Work Order No. 27-LS0084A)

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FROM: Jean M. Mischel
Legislative Counsel 

You have requested a sectional summary of the above-described bill.

As a preliminary matter, note that a sectional summary of a bill should not be considered an authoritative interpretation of the bill and the bill itself is the best statement of its contents. If you would like an interpretation of the bill as it may apply to a particular set of circumstances, please advise.

Section 1. Adds an exception for the Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) to the written permission requirement for student surveys.

Section 2. Provides detailed written notice requirements for all student surveys, including YRBS.

Section 3. Allows a student to refuse to answer specific questions and provides a process for a parent to deny permission for a student to take a survey.

Section 4. Provides an exception to written permission for YRBS and a minimum two week notice provision that is consistent with the requirements in sec. 2.

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Senator Bettye Davis

SB 8 - "An Act relating to questionnaires and surveys administered in the public schools."

Sponsor Statement

The purpose of SB 8 is to increase participation in the national biennial Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) in order to meet the minimum 60% participation level required by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) for the results to be validated and published along with other states. There have been years when the state has not met minimum participation levels. Failure to obtain survey information adversely affects the ability of educators, planners, policy makers, and parents to understand and address the important health and social issues that affect students' happiness and success in the future.

To help achieve this objective SB 8 changes the parental consent requirement for the YRBS from active to passive, that is, from written to implied consent if parents are given notice at least two weeks in advance of the survey by U.S. mail, or home delivery; the opportunity to review the entire survey at the school or the district's web site; and a form with return envelope to deny permission in writing.

Parents who do not want their children to participate usually notify the school immediately at registration in the beginning of the school year, or after notice and before the YRBS is given early in the spring semester. It is the attention of the other parents SB 8 is designed to reach. Failure of parents to return written consent forms in the past has been found often to be the result of lack of attention rather than refusal. Since the biennial survey is only given to a representative number of the 53 Alaska School Districts and only to a representative sampling of high school classes, many parents and students will never be involved with the survey.

Students are not forced or required to participate. They may independently decline to participate or to answer specific questions in this completely voluntary and anonymous survey. If they do participate, absolute privacy and anonymity are maintained by strict administrative procedures and the return of individual surveys in private and secure sealed envelopes to CDC.

The Youth Risk Behavior Survey helps guide and evaluate important health and prevention programs in both the public and private sectors. Local, state, and federal officials, schools, state and federal agencies, public and private grant programs, and nonprofit health organizations rely on these surveys to educate, allocate resources, and compare trends concerning safe behaviors. These include injury prevention, tobacco prevention and control, obesity prevention, diabetes, heart disease, and stroke prevention, safe and drug free schools, substance abuse prevention, violence and suicide prevention, HIV and STD prevention, and connectedness to teachers, parents and other adults.

In short, SB 8 simply makes it easier to obtain information on youth risk behaviors without violating students' or parents' rights to privacy, nor diminishing the ability of parents to supervise their children. At the same time SB 8 increases parental notice with ample opportunity, instructions, and forms to opt out.

(c) Nothing in this section limits the ability of a peace officer, chief administrative officer, or other appropriate person, acting in compliance with local, state, or federal laws, to search a locker or other container provided in a public or private school by the school district. (§ 5 ch 33 SLA 1995)

Sec. 14.03.110. Questionnaires and surveys administered in public schools.

(a) A school district, principal or other person in charge of a public school, or teacher in a public school may not administer or permit to be administered in a school a questionnaire or survey, whether anonymous or not, that inquires into personal or private family affairs of the student not a matter of public record or subject to public observation unless written permission is obtained from the student's parent or legal guardian.

(b) For an anonymous questionnaire or survey, written permission required under (a) of this section may be obtained annually and is valid until the commencement of the subsequent school year or until the parent or legal guardian who gave permission submits a written withdrawal of permission to the school principal. The school shall provide each student's parent or legal guardian at least two weeks' notice before administering a questionnaire or survey described under this subsection.

(c) If a school administers to a student a questionnaire or survey that is not anonymous, the school shall obtain the written permission required under (a) of this section from the student's parent or legal guardian at least two weeks before the questionnaire or survey is administered.

(d) The school shall give a student's parent or guardian an opportunity to review the questionnaire or survey described under (b) or (c) of this section and shall give the parent or guardian written notice regarding

- (1) how the questionnaire or survey will be administered to the student;
- (2) how the results of the survey or questionnaire will be used; and
- (3) who will have access to the questionnaire or survey.

(e) A student may refuse to participate in a questionnaire or survey administered in a public school. A student's parent or legal guardian may refuse to allow the student to participate in a specified questionnaire or survey.

(f) In this section, "questionnaire or survey" means a list of questions to, or information collected from, a class or group of students. (§ 1 ch 23 SLA 1979; am §§ 1, 2 ch 63 SLA 1999)

Opinions of attorney general. — AS 14.03.110 — Behavior Risk Survey does not impermissibly invade the domain of the student's private 'family' affairs. September 28, 1998 Op. Att'y Gen. (Issued before 1999 amendment to this section.)
 As long as survey questions are limited to the student's own activities and the survey does not ask the student questions about parents or other activities occurring within a student's home, the 1997 Youth

Sec. 14.03.115. Access to school records by parent, foster parent, or guardian. Upon request of a parent, foster parent, or guardian of a child under 18 years of age who is currently or was previously enrolled in a municipal school district or a school district that is a regional educational attendance area, the school district shall provide a copy of the child's record. This section does not apply to

- (1) a record of a child who is an emancipated minor; or
- (2) record information that consists of the child's address if the school district determines that the release of the child's address poses a threat to the health or safety of the child. (§ 1 ch 36 SLA 1999)

Sec. 14.03.120. Education planning; reports. (a) A district shall annually file with the department, and make available to the public, a report that

- (1) establishes district goals and priorities for improving education in the district;
- (2) includes a plan for achieving district goals and priorities; and

2011 Alaska Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

The Youth Risk Behavior Survey is part of a national surveillance system developed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to assist with assessing and addressing the health risks of youth. It is conducted in Alaska every other year by the Department of Education & Early Development and the Department of Health and Social Services in cooperation with public high schools.

In spring 2011, the department surveyed 1,327 students from 40 high schools that were scientifically selected to represent all public high schools (excluding boarding schools, alternative schools, correspondence and home study schools, and correctional schools) in Alaska. These results are representative of Alaska's high school students grades 9-12 in traditional public high schools. At the same time and for the second time, 969 students from 16 alternative high schools (defined as serving high-risk students) in Alaska were surveyed to evaluate and address the health risks of this unique population.

The 2011 Alaska Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results are summarized in the presentations available below. The 2011 data presentations are displayed by gender and grade.

2011 Alaska Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results Presentations

- ✓ **Preliminary 2011 YRBS Highlights (attached)**

- 2011 Alaska Traditional High School YRBS Results (by sex, grade and race)
- 2011 Alaska Alternative High School YRBS Results (by sex, grade and race)

Alaska Youth Risk Behavior Survey

Alaska Youth Risk Behavior Survey Trends 1995-2011

Prevalence of Selected Risk Behaviors for Students in Traditional High Schools (grades 9-12)

1995	1997	1999	2001	2003	2005	2007	2009	2011	Trend from 1995-2011**
Rarely or never wore a seat belt:									
19.5%				15.1%		7.0%	12.1%	8.7%	⊖ Decreasing
Rode with a driver who had been drinking alcohol one or more times:									
31.9%				25.0%		23.5%	21.3%	18.6%	⊖ Decreasing
Carried a weapon on school property on at least one day:									
12.3%				7.1%		8.4%	7.8%	5.7%	⊖ Decreasing
In a physical fight during the past year:									
35.8%				27.1%		29.2%	27.8%	23.7%	⊖ Decreasing
Did not go to school because they felt unsafe at school or on their way to or from school on at least 1 day:									
3.6%				4.1%		5.5%	6.0%	4.7%	No change
Seriously considered attempting suicide:									
23.9%				16.7%		16.5%	13.9%	14.5%	⊖ Decreasing
Attempted suicide one or more times during the past year:									
9.4%				8.1%		10.7%	8.5%	8.7%	No change
Current smoking:									
36.5%				19.2%		17.8%	15.7%	14.1%	⊖ Decreasing
Current smokeless tobacco use:									
15.6%				11.2%		10.4%	13.6%	8.4%	⊖ Decreasing
Current drinking:									
47.5%				38.7%		39.7%	33.2%	28.6%	⊖ Decreasing
Binge drinking:									
31.3%				26.5%		25.8%	21.7%	16.7%	⊖ Decreasing
Current marijuana use:									
28.7%				23.9%		20.5%	22.7%	21.2%	⊖ Decreasing
Ever had sexual intercourse:									
47.2%				39.6%		45.1%	43.5%	38.3%	⊖ Decreasing
Currently sexually active:									
30.5%				27.6%		30.9%	30.4%	25.2%	No change
Had sexual intercourse with 4 or more people:									
17.1%				12.1%		13.4%	11.4%	9.7%	⊖ Decreasing
Used a condom before last sexual intercourse (among students who were sexually active):									
53.7%				62.3%		60.8%	62.2%	59.6%	⊕ Increasing
Percentage of students who were overweight or obese: (Question added in 2003)									
				25.4%		27.3%	26.2%	25.8%	No change
Ate fruits and vegetables 5 or more times per day: (Question added in 2003)									
				16.1%		15.7%	17.2%	21.4%	⊕ Increasing
Drank 1 or more sodas every day in past week:									
						21.8%	20.1%	17.6%	⊖ Decreasing
Attended physical education daily in an average week:									
26.4%				18.2%		17.7%	17.7%	17.4%	⊖ Decreasing

*Data only presented in years when statewide representative data were obtained; **Statistically significant linear trend.



Preliminary 2011 Highlights



www.hss.state.ak.us/dph/chronic/school/YRBS.htm



Alaska Youth Risk Behavior Survey

Alaska's Youth Risk Behavior Survey

The Alaska Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) is part of an epidemiological surveillance system that was established in 1990 by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to monitor the prevalence of health-risk behaviors among youth. The survey was first implemented in Alaska in 1995. The YRBS is a biennial, anonymous and voluntary survey of students grades 9 - 12 in public traditional high schools (excluding boarding, correspondence, home study, alternative, and correctional schools). The YRBS is a joint project between the Department of Education & Early Development and the Department of Health and Social Services, in cooperation with the CDC.

The YRBS asks students to self-report on their behaviors in six major areas of health that directly lead to morbidity and mortality in youth and adult populations within our country. These six areas are:

- behaviors that result in unintentional and intentional injuries;
- tobacco use;
- alcohol and other drug use;
- sexual behaviors that can result in human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection, other sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) and unintended pregnancies;
- dietary behaviors; and
- physical activity.

In 2009 and 2011, a statewide survey of alternative high schools in Alaska was also implemented.

For more information on the Alaska YRBS go to:
www.hss.state.ak.us/dph/chronic/school/YRBS.htm

2011 Comparison: Alaska Traditional High School and Alternative High School Students**

Traditional High Schools	Alternative High Schools	Alternative students were at*:
Rarely or never wore a seat belt:		
8.7%	11.5%	= Equal risk
Rode with a driver who had been drinking alcohol:		
18.6%	28.1%	⊕ Greater risk
Carried a weapon on school property on at least 1 day:		
5.7%	9.4%	⊕ Greater risk
In a physical fight during the past year:		
23.7%	43.5%	⊕ Greater risk
Did not go to school because they felt unsafe at school or on their way to or from school on at least 1 day:		
4.7%	6.6%	⊕ Greater risk
Seriously considered attempting suicide:		
14.5%	21.2%	⊕ Greater risk
Attempted suicide during the past year:		
8.7%	13.2%	⊕ Greater risk
Current smoking:		
14.1%	47.7%	⊕ Greater risk
Current smokeless tobacco use:		
8.4%	17.4%	⊕ Greater risk
Current drinking:		
28.6%	49.1%	⊕ Greater risk
Binge drinking:		
16.7%	37.9%	⊕ Greater risk
Current marijuana use:		
21.2%	47.6%	⊕ Greater risk
Ever had sexual intercourse:		
38.3%	80.4%	⊕ Greater risk
Currently sexually active:		
25.2%	61.3%	⊕ Greater risk
Used condom before last sexual intercourse:		
59.6%	46.9%	⊕ Greater risk
Percentage of students who were overweight or obese:		
25.8%	32.9%	⊕ Greater risk
Ate fruits and vegetables 5 or more times per day:		
21.4%	22.2%	= Equal risk
Drank 1 or more sodas every day in past week:		
17.6%	30.6%	⊕ Greater risk
Attended physical education daily in an average week:		
17.4%	16.5%	= Equal risk

*Statistically significant difference.

**Comparable U.S. 2011 YRBS data were not available at the time of the publication of this preliminary 2011 Highlights report. The final 2011 Highlights report, including U.S. comparison data, will be published in 2012.

Summary of the 2011 Survey Results

On average, in an Alaska high school class of 30 students*:

- 5 - 6 rode (in the past month) with a driver who had been drinking alcohol
- 1 - 2 had carried a weapon to school
- 7 were in a physical fight in the past year
- 2 - 3 attempted suicide in the past year
- 4 smoked cigarettes and 2 - 3 used smokeless tobacco in the past month
- 8 - 9 drank alcohol in the past month
- 5 engaged in binge drinking in the past month
- 6 - 7 used marijuana in the past month
- 11 - 12 had ever had sexual intercourse
- 8 were either overweight or obese
- 16 - 17 were physically active for less than the recommended total of at least 60 minutes per day (on 5 or more days of the past 7 days).

Many students started engaging in risk behaviors before the age of 13:

- 11.1% had smoked a whole cigarette
- 16.9% had consumed their first drink of alcohol
- 10.4% had tried marijuana.

We also know that:

- 23% were bullied at school last year
- 15.3% were cyber-bullied last year
- 12% were physically hurt by a boyfriend or girlfriend in the past year, and
- 9.2% had ever been forced to have unwanted sexual intercourse

Many high school students are still engaging in unhealthy behaviors, increasing their likelihood of being hurt, fatally injured or developing diseases:

- Some of the goals set forth in Healthy Alaskans 2010 have been achieved and health-risk behaviors have been reduced in the following major areas: tobacco use, alcohol and other drug use, violence, and risky sexual behavior.
- Alternative high school students were at significantly greater risk than students in traditional high schools in Alaska for most health-risk behaviors and more likely to have engaged in risky behavior before the age of 13.
- Alternative high school students were more likely than traditional school students to feel that their teachers really cared about them and gave them a lot of encouragement and that their school had clear rules and consequences for behavior.

*Traditional high schools only.

Supporters of Alaska's Youth Risk Behavior Survey

- Alaska Association of School Administrators
- Alaska Association of Secondary School Principals
- Alaska Health Education Consortium
- Alaska Mental Health Board
- Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority
- Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium
- Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault
- Alaska Parent Teacher Association (PTA)
- Alaska Public Health Association
- Alaska School Nurses Association
- Alaska Tobacco Control Alliance
- All Alaska Pediatric Partnership
- American Cancer Society
- American Heart Association
- American Lung Association
- Association of Alaska School Boards
- Governor's Advisory Board on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse
- United Way of Anchorage
- United Way of Mat-Su
- United Way of Southeast Alaska
- United Way of the Tanana Valley
- And more...



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2009 Alaska Youth Risk Behavior Survey

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Brain Booster

What phrase is hidden here?

Bid becomes biRd
 Ran becomes rain
 Bug becomes bulg
 Sin becomes siGn
 Pan becomes pain
 Dug becomes duNg
 Doe becomes doGe



The Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) is part of a national surveillance system developed by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). Administered every other year by the Department of Education & Early Development and the Department of Health and Social Services in conjunction with Alaska's public high schools, the YRBS is used to evaluate and address the prevalence of health risk behaviors among Alaska's youth that contribute to the leading causes of death and disease.

Due to the hard work of teachers and the high participation level of high school students, enough surveys were collected for the state to be able to draw conclusions about the level of youth risk behavior in Alaska.

Alaska 2009 results compared to 2007: In general the 2009 results were very similar to those of 2007, which is not surprising since changes are usually gradual.

Alaska trends over time: In general the prevalence of many risk behaviors have decreased over the last 14 years. The prevalence of smoking cigarettes, drinking alcohol, using marijuana, physical fighting, and contemplating suicide seem to be going down. The percent of students who have ever had sexual intercourse or reported having sexual intercourse in the past three months has stayed about the same. The percent of students reporting they did not go to school one or more days in the past month because they felt unsafe at school seems to be increasing.

Alaska compared to the US: The 2009 Alaska YRBS results are very similar to the national YRBS data from 2007 (which is the last available data — 2009 national survey results will be released this summer). Fewer students in Alaska reported being in a physical fight in the past 12 months compared to the national results (27.8 percent vs. 35.5 percent), but more students in Alaska reported being hit, slapped, or physically on purpose by their boyfriend or girlfriend in the past 12 months (13.3 percent vs. 9.9 percent). The percent of high school students attending daily PE is less than the national. Only 17.7 percent of high school students attend daily PE in Alaska compared to 30.3 percent of those in the national YRBS survey (2007).

Other Points:

Suicide is the leading cause of death of Alaska youth age 15-19

- ◆ 11.7% have made a plan about how they would attempt suicide and 8.5% actually attempted suicide one or more times in the past 12 months.

Motor vehicle crashes are the second leading cause of death among Alaska youth

- ◆ 21.3% report having driven in a car driven by someone who had been drinking and 8.9% reported driving a car when they had been drinking.

The obesity epidemic in Alaska and the nation contributes to the risk of heart disease, stroke, diabetes, and other chronic diseases. Health habits such as good nutrition and being physically active are the key to maintaining a health weight.

- ◆ 81.8% of high school students do not eat the recommended daily servings of fruits and vegetables.
- ◆ 57.6% did not get the recommended 60 minutes of physical activity per day for most days of the week.
- ◆ 82.3% did not attend daily PE classes.

Traditional High School YRBS Key Findings

The following key findings compare the 2009 traditional high school survey results to the 2007 results.

Weight Issues:

- ◆ 14.4% of students are overweight, compared to 16.2% in 2007.
- ◆ 11.8% of students are obese, compared to 11.1% in 2007.

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Traditional High School Key Findings Continued...

Alcohol, Tobacco and Drug Usage:

- ◆ 15.7% of students smoked cigarettes one or more of the past 30 days, compared to 17.8% in 2007.
- ◆ 21.7% of students had five or more drinks of alcohol in a row on one or more of the past 30 days, compared to 25.8% in 2007.
- ◆ 22.7% of students used marijuana one or more times during the past 30 days, compared to 20.5% in 2007.
- ◆ 24.8% of students were offered, sold, or given an illegal drug by someone on school property during the past 12 months, compared to 25.1% in 2007.

Safety Behaviors:

- ◆ 12.1% of students never or rarely wear a seat belt when riding as a passenger, compared to 7% in 2007.
- ◆ 21.3% of students have rode one or more times within the past 30 days with a driver who had been drinking, compared to 23.5% in 2007.
- ◆ 8.9% of students drove drunk within the past 30 days, compared to 9.7% in 2007.

Violence and Suicide:

- ◆ 27.8% of students were involved in a physical fight one or more times during the past 12 months, compared to 29.2% in 2007.
- ◆ 13.3% of students reported being hit, slapped, or physically hurt on purpose by their boyfriend or girlfriend during the past 12 months, compared to 12.4% in 2007.
- ◆ 13.9% of students seriously considered attempting suicide in the past 12 months, compared to 16.5% in 2007.

Sexual Behaviors:

- ◆ 43.5% of students have ever had sexual intercourse, compared to 45.1% in 2007.
- ◆ 30.4% of students had sexual intercourse with one or more people during the past three months, compared with 30.9% in 2007.
- ◆ 17.1% of students who had sexual intercourse during the past three months drank alcohol or used drugs before last sexual intercourse, compared to 22.1% in 2007.

Connectedness:

- ◆ 59.4% of students agree or strongly agree that their teachers really care about them and give them a lot of encouragement, compared to 56.1% in 2007.
- ◆ 83.3% of students feel comfortable seeking help from one or more adults besides their parents if they had an important question affecting their life, compared 87% in 2007.

Alternative High School YRBS Key Findings

Alternative High Schools were selected to participate in a statewide YRBS for the first time in 2009. EED determined that capturing risk-behavior data on Alternative Schools was essential for 2 reasons: 1) Alternative Schools are intentionally excluded from the Traditional Schools YRBS and therefore no data on their levels of risk behavior was being captured 2) several of the programs the Department manages require it to dedicate resources to Alaska's greatest at-risk youth so data confirming Alternative Schools serve this population was needed.

The data to follow is quite compelling, and indicates significantly higher levels of reported risk behavior in Alternative Schools students than is reported by their Traditional Schools peers for almost every measure. The following data represent key findings from the Alternative High School YRBS only. To view a side-by-side comparison of the Traditional high school responses and the Alternative high school responses, visit: http://www.hss.state.ak.us/dph/chronic/school/pubs/COMPARISON_TRAD_ALT_2009.pdf

Weight Issues:

- ◆ 18.3% of students are overweight.
- ◆ 18.9% of students are obese.

Results continue on next page...

Brain Booster

Answer:

Ring in the Changes!

Anchorage Association for the Education of Young Children (Anchorage AEYC) Conference

February 4-6, 2010
Downtown Hilton
Anchorage Hotel
Anchorage, Alaska

For more information,
contact 907-696-5884

Or visit: <http://www.anchorageaeyc.org>

Alaska Statewide Special Education Conference (ASSEC)

February 6-12, 2010
Downtown Sheraton
Anchorage, Alaska

For more information,
contact 907-465-2972

Or visit: <http://www.assec.org>

Alternative High School YRBS Key Findings Continued...

Alcohol, Tobacco and Drug Usage:

- ◆ 58% of students smoked cigarettes one or more of the past 30 days.
- ◆ 42.7% of students had five or more drinks of alcohol in a row on one or more of the past 30 days.
- ◆ 50.5% of students used marijuana one or more times during the past 30 days.
- ◆ 32.4% of students were offered, sold, or given an illegal drug by someone on school property during the past 12 months.

Safety Behaviors:

- ◆ 13.6% of students never or rarely wear a seat belt when riding as a passenger.
- ◆ 29.9% of students have rode one or more times within the past 30 days with a driver who had been drinking.
- ◆ 12.3% of students drove drunk within the past 30 days.

Violence and Suicide:

- ◆ 9.1% of students were involved in a physical fight one or more times during the past 12 months.
- ◆ 21.3% of students reported being hit, slapped, or physically hurt on purpose by their boyfriend or girlfriend during the past 12 months.
- ◆ 18.1% of students seriously considered attempting suicide in the past 12 months.

Sexual Behaviors:

- ◆ 82.2% of students have ever had sexual intercourse.
- ◆ 65.5% of students had sexual intercourse with one or more people during the past three months.
- ◆ 27.7% of students who had sexual intercourse during the past three months drank alcohol or used drugs before last sexual intercourse.

Connectedness:

- ◆ 72.4% of students agree or strongly agree that their teachers really care about them and give them a lot of encouragement.
- ◆ 84.2% of students feel comfortable seeking help from one or more adults besides their parents if they had an important question affecting their life.

Healthy Reading Kits Available

Healthy Reading is an initiative that seeks to promote K-12 health education sponsored by the Department of Education & Early Development (EED). Healthy Reading offers teachers the ability to teach about important health issues while simultaneously supporting reading practices.

Healthy Reading is comprised of a collection of age appropriate books that are selected and field tested by Alaskan teachers. Each kit contains 9 pieces of children's literature. These books cover an array of health issues that emerge naturally as children grow and develop and allow students to connect reading and writing skills to relevant life thinking skills. Ultimately, Healthy Reading is meant to empower and inform students about health issues, leaving them better able to obtain information, set goals, and develop skills that will promote their individual health.

Currently, the Department of Education & Early Development has three Healthy Reading kits available, Grades 2-4, Grades 4-8, and Grades 9-12. These kits are available to teachers, **FREE** of charge. For more information or to request a kit, please contact Kiara Alexander (907) 465-2304 or kiara.alexander@alaska.gov

Readiness and Emergency Management For Schools Grant (USDOE)

The US Department of Education recently announced the opening of the FY 2010 Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools Grant (REMS). Grants are available to local education agencies. For information regarding the REMS grant, view the USDOE REMS website at <http://www.ed.gov/>

Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) Southeast Alaska Regional Conference

February 18-20, 2010
Centennial Hall
Juneau, Alaska

For more information,
contact Donna James at
907-463-7169

Or visit: <http://www.ccthita.org/2010fasdconference.html>



National Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention (3D) Month

Alcohol-related car crashes rise in frequency during the holiday season, making this season the deadliest season of the year. Due to the increase in events involving alcohol, more people are more likely to find themselves driving while impaired. Unlike other types of accidents, drunk and drugged driving is one of the most preventable tragedies on the road.

Because of this, December has been designated, by presidential proclamation, as the National Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month (or 3D Month). 3D month strives to bring public awareness to and prevention of alcohol and drug related crashes by campaigning for tighter laws and for alcohol checkpoints and by educating youth and adults about the perils of driving under the influence.

In 2008, 45% of all vehicular fatalities in Alaska resulted from alcohol-related incidents. Of all the fatalities and major injuries that occur on Alaska's roads and highways, teen drivers account for approximately 20% of incidents, most caused either by not wearing a seatbelt or by driving under the influence.

Traffic accidents are the leading cause of death among the United States teenage population and, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), more than one-third are alcohol related. Furthermore, drunk driving often results in the injury or loss of life among passengers and individuals outside the vehicle.

A recent study by the Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities found a link between minor consuming and future DUIs (Driving Under the Influence). This study compared 1995-1999 minor consuming cases in Alaska to 1995-2006 DUI cases and found that 24% of youth charged with minor consuming will go on to have a DUI charge before their 31st birthday (Evaluation of Risk Factors for Repeat DUI Offenses, Preliminary Draft Report, November 2008).

The State of Alaska has developed a plan to reduce and prevent underage drinking, based on the national strategy put forth by the National Research Council, the Institute of Medicine of the National Academics of Science, and Congress. This plan highlights the national strategies as well as strategies that state and local agencies can employ.

To view state's plan, visit: http://www.dot.state.ak.us/stwdplng/hwysafetv/assets/pdf/2009_underagedrinkplan.pdf

Did You Know?

According to research by the NHTSA, teens are involved in 5 times as many fatal accidents as adults.

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meghan.nelson@alaska.gov

Youth Alliance for a Healthier Alaska Art Contest

The Youth Alliance for a Healthier Alaska presents: *Make Art. Not Babies. An art contest to promote healthy teen relationships and sexual responsibility.*

Rules and Regulations:

Winning entries for each category will receive: \$150 VISA gift card for first place, \$50 VISA gift card for second place, \$25 VISA gift card for third place

Categories: 1. Video/radio 2. photography/graphic art

There will be a total of 6 winning entries.

Guidelines:

-The competition will be open to teenagers 14 through 19 years of age.

-Participants may enter one entry per category. Participants can only win in one category.

-Entry deadline is **February 19, 2010**. Entries received after this date will not be evaluated.

-Email submission to Sophie Wenzel: Sophie.wenzel@alaska.gov OR Mail to: YAHA, 4701 Business Park Blvd, Suite 20, Bldg J, Anchorage, AK 99503

-By entering the contest the entrant is giving YAHA and the State of Alaska the right to: (1.) publicly display his or her artwork. (2.) The right to photograph or otherwise reproduce the artwork for the use in connection with promotional or advertising activities by YAHA.

-All artwork must be original. All photographs must have been taken by the contestant. All videos and radio announcements must have been produced by contestant

-All entries must be "PG-13"- entries that are not appropriate will not be considered.

Regulations:

Video: Must be 2 minutes or less, Must be on a decrypted disc

Audio: Must be 30 seconds or less, Must be in MP3, WIM, or MPEG4 format

Photograph/Graphic art: Must be no less than 4" x 6" and no bigger than 11"x 17" in JPEG or Adobe format, Must have caption/name on entry

Criteria to Judge: Must have reality, originality and creative pizzazz, and relevancy to the issue.

For questions, please write Sophie.wenzel@alaska.gov

School Health Partners:



www.ced.state.ak.us/tls/schoolhealth/



www.hss.state.ak.us/dph/chronic/school/default.htm

**DIVISION OF ADOLESCENT
AND SCHOOL HEALTH (DASH)**



Surveillance Activities



Summary of

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION**

CDC



Division of Adolescent and School Health



**WHERE CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?
VISIT [WWW.CDC.GOV/HEALTHYOUTH](http://www.cdc.gov/HEALTHYOUTH)
OR CALL 800-CDC-INFO (800-232-4636).**



Summary of Surveillance* Activities

Division of Adolescent and School Health



	Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System (YRBSS)			School Health Policies and Program Study (SHPPS)	
	National	State/Territorial/Tribal/District	Other		
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To determine the prevalence of health-risk behaviors among students To assess trends in these behaviors To examine the co-occurrence of health-risk behaviors 			To provide national data on eight components of a school health program at the state, school district, school, and classroom levels	To provide data on school health policies and practices at schools among states, territories, tribal governments, and large urban school districts
Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unintentional injuries and violence Tobacco use Alcohol and other drug use Sexual behaviors that contribute to unintended pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases, including HIV infection Unhealthy dietary behaviors Physical inactivity 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Health education Physical education and activity Health services Mental health and social services Nutrition services Healthy and safe school environment Faculty and staff health promotion Family and community involvement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School health education requirements and content Physical education requirements Health services Nutrition-related policies and practices Family and community involvement in school health programs School health policies on HIV and AIDS prevention, tobacco-use prevention, and physical activity Professional preparation and staff development for lead health education teachers
Sample	Nationally representative sample of public and private high school students	Representative sample of public high school students in each jurisdiction	Representative sample of students in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Middle schools Alternative schools Juvenile justice facilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All states Nationally representative sample of school districts Nationally representative sample of public and private elementary schools, middle schools and high schools 	Representative sample of public middle schools and high schools in a state, territory, tribal government, or school district
Methods	Self-administered paper-and-pencil questionnaire, conducted in classrooms			Computer-assisted telephone and personal interviews and self-administered, mailed questionnaires	Self-administered, mailed questionnaires
Timing	Biennially, since 1991		Varied	Every 6 years, since 1994	Biennially, since 1994
Example Statements	In 2007, 57.3% of Hispanic female high school students in the U.S. attended physical education classes on 1 or more days in an average week when they were in school.	In 2007, 24.4% of female high school students in Kentucky attended physical education classes on 1 or more days in an average week when they were in school.	In 2007, 87.4% of middle school students in Wyoming attended physical education classes on 1 or more days in an average week when they were in school.	State: In 2006, 70.5% of states required districts or schools to follow national or state physical education standards or guidelines. District: In 2006, 68.9% of districts had someone oversee or coordinate physical education. School: In 2006, 78.3% of schools required students to take some physical education.	In 2006, 60.1% of secondary schools in Alabama required students to take 2 or more physical education courses.
Ownership of Data	CDC	States, territories, tribal governments, and districts	Varied	CDC	States, territories, tribal governments, and districts
Contractor	ORC Macro	Westat, Inc., plus companies hired by states, territories, tribal governments, and districts	Varied	ORC Macro	Westat, Inc., plus companies hired by states, territories, tribal governments, and districts
Web Site	www.cdc.gov/yrbbs			www.cdc.gov/shpps	www.cdc.gov/healthyyouth/profiles

*Surveillance is the ongoing collection, analysis, and interpretation of data from generalizable samples.

These risk behaviors among high school students¹ ...

Unintentional Injuries and Violence

- 12% Rarely or never wore a seat belt
- 21% Rode with a driver who had been drinking alcohol, during the past month
- 20% Carried a weapon during the past month
- 28% Were in a physical fight during the past year
- 9% Attempted suicide during the past year

Alcohol and Other Drug Use

- 33% Drank alcohol during the past month
- 22% Reported episodic heavy drinking during the past month²
- 23% Used marijuana during the past month
- 7% Ever used cocaine
- 10% Ever used inhalants
- 21% Ever used prescription drugs without prescription

Sexual Behaviors

- 44% Ever had sexual intercourse
- 11% Had sexual intercourse with ≥ 4 people
- 30% Had sexual intercourse during the past three months
- 10% Did not use a condom during last sexual intercourse³

Tobacco Use

- 48% Ever tried cigarette smoking
- 16% Smoked cigarettes during the past month
- 5% Smoked cigarettes on ≥ 20 days during the past month
- 14% Used smokeless tobacco during the past month
- 10% Smoked cigars during the past month

Dietary Behaviors

- 83% Ate fruits and vegetables < 5 times/day during the past 7 days
- 20% Drank soda or pop one or more times a day during the past 7 days (not including diet soda or pop)

Physical Activity

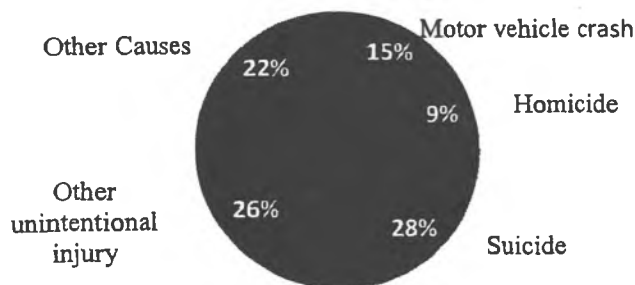
- 58% Did not meet currently recommended levels of physical activity⁴
- 54% Did not attend physical education class
- 82% Did not attend physical education class daily

Overweight

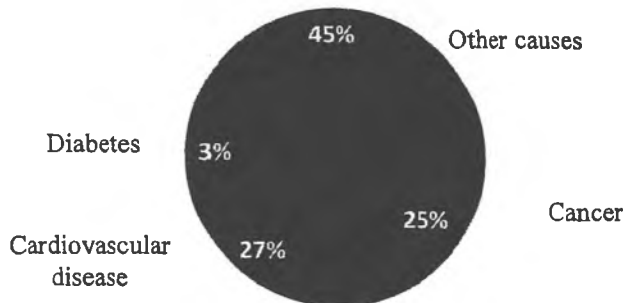
- 14% Were overweight⁵
- 12% Were obese⁶

... contribute to these leading causes of death⁷

Youth Aged 10-24 Years



Adults Aged 25 Years and Older



¹ High school students grades 9-12 in Alaska excluding alternative schools and boarding schools, weighted data.

² Students who had five or more drinks of alcohol in a row within a couple of hours on at least 1 day during the past 30 days

³ Among students who had sexual intercourse during the past 3 months.

⁴ Students who were not physically active for a total of at least 60 minutes per day on 5 or more days of the past 7 days.

⁵ Students who were at or above the 85th percentile but below the 95th percentile for body mass index by age and sex.

⁶ Students who were at or above the 95th percentile for body mass index by age and sex.

⁷ 2004-2006 Alaska mortality data, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

For more information visit www.hss.state.ak.us/dph/chronic

Or call 1-888-465-3140

The Alaska Youth Risk Behavior Survey is a joint project between the Department of Health and Social Services and the Department of Education & Early Development in cooperation with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention



2009 Alaska Youth Risk Behavior Survey

This survey is about health behavior. It has been developed so you can tell us what you do that may affect your health. The information you give will be used to develop better health education for young people like yourself.

DO NOT write your name on this survey. The answers you give will be kept private. No one will know what you write. Answer the questions based on what you really do.

Completing the survey is voluntary. Whether or not you answer the questions will not affect your grade in this class. If you are not comfortable answering a question, just leave it blank.

The questions that ask about your background will be used only to describe the types of students completing this survey. The information will not be used to find out your name. No names will ever be reported.

Make sure to read every question. Fill in the ovals completely. When you are finished, follow the instructions of the person giving you the survey.

Thank you very much for your help.

Directions

- Use a #2 pencil only.
- Make dark marks.
- Fill in a response like this: A B ● D.
- If you change your answer, erase your old answer completely.

1. How old are you?
 - A. 12 years old or younger
 - B. 13 years old
 - C. 14 years old
 - D. 15 years old
 - E. 16 years old
 - F. 17 years old
 - G. 18 years old
 - H. 19 years old or older

2. What is your sex?
 - A. Female
 - B. Male

3. In what grade are you?
 - A. 9th grade
 - B. 10th grade
 - C. 11th grade
 - D. 12th grade
 - E. Ungraded or other grade

4. Are you Hispanic or Latino?
 - A. Yes
 - B. No

5. What is your race? (Select one or more responses.)
 - A. American Indian or Alaska Native
 - B. Asian
 - C. Black or African American
 - D. Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
 - E. White

6. How tall are you without your shoes on?
 Directions: Write your height in the shaded blank boxes. Fill in the matching oval below each number.

Example

Height	
Feet	Inches
5	7
③	⑩
④	①
●	②
⑥	③
⑦	④
	⑤
	⑥
	●
	⑧
	⑨
	⑩
	⑪

7. How much do you weigh without your shoes on?
 Directions: Write your weight in the shaded blank boxes. Fill in the matching oval below each number.

Example

Weight		
Pounds		
1	5	2
⑩	①	⑩
●	①	①
②	②	●
③	③	③
	④	④
	●	⑤
	⑥	⑥
	⑦	⑦
	⑧	⑧
	⑨	⑨

8. During the past 12 months, how would you describe your grades in school?
- A. Mostly A's
 - B. Mostly B's
 - C. Mostly C's
 - D. Mostly D's
 - E. Mostly F's
 - F. None of these grades
 - G. Not sure

E. 6 or more times

The next 4 questions ask about safety.

9. **When you rode a bicycle** during the past 12 months, how often did you wear a helmet?
- A. I did not ride a bicycle during the past 12 months
 - B. Never wore a helmet
 - C. Rarely wore a helmet
 - D. Sometimes wore a helmet
 - E. Most of the time wore a helmet
 - F. Always wore a helmet
10. How often do you wear a seat belt when **riding** in a car driven by someone else?
- A. Never
 - B. Rarely
 - C. Sometimes
 - D. Most of the time
 - E. Always
11. During the past 30 days, how many times did you **ride** in a car or other vehicle **driven by someone who had been drinking alcohol**?
- A. 0 times
 - B. 1 time
 - C. 2 or 3 times
 - D. 4 or 5 times
 - E. 6 or more times
12. During the past 30 days, how many times did you **drive** a car or other vehicle **when you had been drinking alcohol**?
- A. 0 times
 - B. 1 time
 - C. 2 or 3 times
 - D. 4 or 5 times

The next 10 questions ask about violence-related behaviors.

13. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you carry a **weapon** such as a gun, knife, or club?
A. 0 days
B. 1 day
C. 2 or 3 days
D. 4 or 5 days
E. 6 or more days
14. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you carry a **gun**?
A. 0 days
B. 1 day
C. 2 or 3 days
D. 4 or 5 days
E. 6 or more days
15. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you carry a weapon such as a gun, knife, or club **on school property**?
A. 0 days
B. 1 day
C. 2 or 3 days
D. 4 or 5 days
E. 6 or more days
16. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you **not** go to school because you felt you would be unsafe at school or on your way to or from school?
A. 0 days
B. 1 day
C. 2 or 3 days
D. 4 or 5 days
E. 6 or more days
17. During the past 12 months, how many times has someone threatened or injured you with a weapon such as a gun, knife, or club **on school property**?
A. 0 times
B. 1 time
C. 2 or 3 times
D. 4 or 5 times
E. 6 or 7 times
F. 8 or 9 times
- G. 10 or 11 times
H. 12 or more times

18. During the past 12 months, how many times were you in a physical fight?
- A. 0 times
 - B. 1 time
 - C. 2 or 3 times
 - D. 4 or 5 times
 - E. 6 or 7 times
 - F. 8 or 9 times
 - G. 10 or 11 times
 - H. 12 or more times
19. During the past 12 months, how many times were you in a physical fight in which you were injured and had to be treated by a doctor or nurse?
- A. 0 times
 - B. 1 time
 - C. 2 or 3 times
 - D. 4 or 5 times
 - E. 6 or more times
20. During the past 12 months, how many times were you in a physical fight **on school property**?
- A. 0 times
 - B. 1 time
 - C. 2 or 3 times
 - D. 4 or 5 times
 - E. 6 or 7 times
 - F. 8 or 9 times
 - G. 10 or 11 times
 - H. 12 or more times
21. During the past 12 months, did your boyfriend or girlfriend ever hit, slap, or physically hurt you on purpose?
- A. Yes
 - B. No
22. Have you ever been physically forced to have sexual intercourse when you did not want to?
- A. Yes
 - B. No

The next question asks about bullying. **Bullying is when 1 or more students tease, threaten, spread rumors about, hit, shove, or hurt another student over and over again. It is not bullying when 2 students of about the same strength or power argue or fight or tease each other in a friendly way.**

23. During the past 12 months, have you ever been bullied **on school property**?
- A. Yes
 - B. No

The next 5 questions ask about sad feelings and attempted suicide. **Sometimes people feel so depressed about the future that they may consider attempting suicide, that is, taking some action to end their own life.**

24. During the past 12 months, did you ever feel so sad or hopeless almost every day for **two weeks or more in a row** that you stopped doing some usual activities?
- A. Yes
 - B. No
25. During the past 12 months, did you ever **seriously** consider attempting suicide?
- A. Yes
 - B. No
26. During the past 12 months, did you make a plan about how you would attempt suicide?
- A. Yes
 - B. No
27. During the past 12 months, how many times did you actually attempt suicide?
- A. 0 times
 - B. 1 time
 - C. 2 or 3 times
 - D. 4 or 5 times
 - E. 6 or more times

28. **If you attempted suicide** during the past 12 months, did any attempt result in an injury, poisoning, or overdose that had to be treated by a doctor or nurse?
- A. **I did not attempt suicide** during the past 12 months
 - B. Yes
 - C. No

The next 13 questions ask about tobacco use.

29. Have you ever tried cigarette smoking, even one or two puffs?
- A. Yes
 - B. No
30. How old were you when you smoked a whole cigarette for the first time?
- A. I have never smoked a whole cigarette
 - B. 8 years old or younger
 - C. 9 or 10 years old
 - D. 11 or 12 years old
 - E. 13 or 14 years old
 - F. 15 or 16 years old
 - G. 17 years old or older
31. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you smoke cigarettes?
- A. 0 days
 - B. 1 or 2 days
 - C. 3 to 5 days
 - D. 6 to 9 days
 - E. 10 to 19 days
 - F. 20 to 29 days
 - G. All 30 days
32. During the past 30 days, on the days you smoked, how many cigarettes did you smoke **per day**?
- A. I did not smoke cigarettes during the past 30 days
 - B. Less than 1 cigarette per day
 - C. 1 cigarette per day
 - D. 2 to 5 cigarettes per day
 - E. 6 to 10 cigarettes per day
 - F. 11 to 20 cigarettes per day
 - G. More than 20 cigarettes per day

33. During the past 30 days, how did you **usually** get your own cigarettes? (Select only one response.)
- A. I did not smoke cigarettes during the past 30 days
 - B. I bought them in a store such as a convenience store, supermarket, discount store, or gas station
 - C. I bought them from a vending machine
 - D. I gave someone else money to buy them for me
 - E. I borrowed (or bummed) them from someone else
 - F. A person 18 years old or older gave them to me
 - G. I took them from a store or family member
 - H. I got them some other way
34. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you smoke cigarettes **on school property**?
- A. 0 days
 - B. 1 or 2 days
 - C. 3 to 5 days
 - D. 6 to 9 days
 - E. 10 to 19 days
 - F. 20 to 29 days
 - G. All 30 days
35. Have you ever smoked cigarettes daily, that is, at least one cigarette every day for 30 days?
- A. Yes
 - B. No
36. During the past 12 months, did you ever try to **quit** smoking cigarettes?
- A. I did not smoke during the past 12 months
 - B. Yes
 - C. No
37. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you use **chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip**, such as Redman, Levi Garrett, Beechnut, Skoal, Skoal Bandits, or Copenhagen?
- A. 0 days
 - B. 1 or 2 days
 - C. 3 to 5 days
 - D. 6 to 9 days
 - E. 10 to 19 days
 - F. 20 to 29 days
 - G. All 30 days
38. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you use **chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip on school property**?
- A. 0 days
 - B. 1 or 2 days
 - C. 3 to 5 days
 - D. 6 to 9 days
 - E. 10 to 19 days
 - F. 20 to 29 days
 - G. All 30 days
39. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you smoke **cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars**?
- A. 0 days
 - B. 1 or 2 days
 - C. 3 to 5 days
 - D. 6 to 9 days
 - E. 10 to 19 days
 - F. 20 to 29 days
 - G. All 30 days
40. During the past 7 days, on how many days were you in the same room with someone who was smoking cigarettes?
- A. 0 days
 - B. 1 day
 - C. 2 days
 - D. 3 days
 - E. 4 days
 - F. 5 days
 - G. 6 days
 - H. 7 days

41. How much do you think people risk harming themselves (physically or in other ways), if they smoke one or more packs of cigarettes per day?
- A. No risk
 - B. Slight risk
 - C. Moderate risk
 - D. Great risk

The next 7 questions ask about drinking alcohol. This includes drinking beer, wine, wine coolers, and liquor such as rum, gin, vodka, or whiskey. For these questions, drinking alcohol does not include drinking a few sips of wine for religious purposes.

42. During your life, on how many days have you had at least one drink of alcohol?
- A. 0 days
 - B. 1 or 2 days
 - C. 3 to 9 days
 - D. 10 to 19 days
 - E. 20 to 39 days
 - F. 40 to 99 days
 - G. 100 or more days
43. How old were you when you had your first drink of alcohol other than a few sips?
- A. I have never had a drink of alcohol other than a few sips
 - B. 8 years old or younger
 - C. 9 or 10 years old
 - D. 11 or 12 years old
 - E. 13 or 14 years old
 - F. 15 or 16 years old
 - G. 17 years old or older
44. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you have at least one drink of alcohol?
- A. 0 days
 - B. 1 or 2 days
 - C. 3 to 5 days
 - D. 6 to 9 days
 - E. 10 to 19 days
 - F. 20 to 29 days
 - G. All 30 days

45. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you have 5 or more drinks of alcohol in a row, that is, within a couple of hours?
- A. 0 days
 - B. 1 day
 - C. 2 days
 - D. 3 to 5 days
 - E. 6 to 9 days
 - F. 10 to 19 days
 - G. 20 or more days
46. During the past 30 days, how did you **usually** get the alcohol you drank?
- A. I did not drink alcohol during the past 30 days
 - B. I bought it in a store such as a liquor store, convenience store, supermarket, discount store, or gas station
 - C. I bought it at a restaurant, bar, or club
 - D. I bought it at a public event such as a concert or sporting event
 - E. I gave someone else money to buy it for me
 - F. Someone gave it to me
 - G. I took it from a store or family member
 - H. I got it some other way
47. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you have at least one drink of alcohol **on school property**?
- A. 0 days
 - B. 1 or 2 days
 - C. 3 to 5 days
 - D. 6 to 9 days
 - E. 10 to 19 days
 - F. 20 to 29 days
 - G. All 30 days
48. How much do you think people risk harming themselves (physically or in other ways), if they have one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage (beer, wine, or liquor) nearly every day?
- A. No risk

- B. Slight risk
- C. Moderate risk
- D. Great risk

The next 5 questions ask about marijuana use. Marijuana also is called grass or pot.

- 49. During your life, how many times have you used marijuana?
 - A. 0 times
 - B. 1 or 2 times
 - C. 3 to 9 times
 - D. 10 to 19 times
 - E. 20 to 39 times
 - F. 40 to 99 times
 - G. 100 or more times

- 50. How old were you when you tried marijuana for the first time?
 - A. I have never tried marijuana
 - B. 8 years old or younger
 - C. 9 or 10 years old
 - D. 11 or 12 years old
 - E. 13 or 14 years old
 - F. 15 or 16 years old
 - G. 17 years old or older

- 51. During the past 30 days, how many times did you use marijuana?
 - A. 0 times
 - B. 1 or 2 times
 - C. 3 to 9 times
 - D. 10 to 19 times
 - E. 20 to 39 times
 - F. 40 or more times

- 52. During the past 30 days, how many times did you use marijuana on **school property**?
 - A. 0 times
 - B. 1 or 2 times
 - C. 3 to 9 times
 - D. 10 to 19 times
 - E. 20 to 39 times
 - F. 40 or more times

- 53. How much do you think people risk harming themselves (physically or in other ways), if they smoke marijuana regularly?
 - A. No risk
 - B. Slight risk
 - C. Moderate risk
 - D. Great risk

The next 9 questions ask about other drugs.

54. During your life, how many times have you used **any** form of cocaine, including powder, crack, or freebase?
- A. 0 times
 - B. 1 or 2 times
 - C. 3 to 9 times
 - D. 10 to 19 times
 - E. 20 to 39 times
 - F. 40 or more times
55. During the past 30 days, how many times did you use **any** form of cocaine, including powder, crack, or freebase?
- A. 0 times
 - B. 1 or 2 times
 - C. 3 to 9 times
 - D. 10 to 19 times
 - E. 20 to 39 times
 - F. 40 or more times
56. During your life, how many times have you sniffed glue, breathed the contents of aerosol spray cans, or inhaled any paints or sprays to get high?
- A. 0 times
 - B. 1 or 2 times
 - C. 3 to 9 times
 - D. 10 to 19 times
 - E. 20 to 39 times
 - F. 40 or more times
57. During your life, how many times have you used **heroin** (also called smack, junk, or China White)?
- A. 0 times
 - B. 1 or 2 times
 - C. 3 to 9 times
 - D. 10 to 19 times
 - E. 20 to 39 times
 - F. 40 or more times

58. During your life, how many times have you used **methamphetamines** (also called speed, crystal, crank, or ice)?
- A. 0 times
 - B. 1 or 2 times
 - C. 3 to 9 times
 - D. 10 to 19 times
 - E. 20 to 39 times
 - F. 40 or more times
59. During your life, how many times have you used **ecstasy** (also called MDMA)?
- A. 0 times
 - B. 1 or 2 times
 - C. 3 to 9 times
 - D. 10 to 19 times
 - E. 20 to 39 times
 - F. 40 or more times
60. During your life, how many times have you used a needle to inject any **illegal drug** into your body?
- A. 0 times
 - B. 1 time
 - C. 2 or more times
61. During your life, how many times have you taken a **prescription drug** (such as OxyContin, Percocet, Vicodin, Adderall, Ritalin, or Xanax) without a doctor's prescription?
- A. 0 times
 - B. 1 or 2 times
 - C. 3 to 9 times
 - D. 10 to 19 times
 - E. 20 to 39 times
 - F. 40 or more times
62. During the past 12 months, has anyone offered, sold, or given you an **illegal drug on school property**?
- A. Yes
 - B. No

The next 7 questions ask about sexual behavior.

63. Have you ever had sexual intercourse?

- A. Yes
- B. No

- 64. How old were you when you had sexual intercourse for the first time?
 - A. I have never had sexual intercourse
 - B. 11 years old or younger
 - C. 12 years old
 - D. 13 years old
 - E. 14 years old
 - F. 15 years old
 - G. 16 years old
 - H. 17 years old or older

- 65. During your life, with how many people have you had sexual intercourse?
 - A. I have never had sexual intercourse
 - B. 1 person
 - C. 2 people
 - D. 3 people
 - E. 4 people
 - F. 5 people
 - G. 6 or more people

- 66. During the past 3 months, with how many people did you have sexual intercourse?
 - A. I have never had sexual intercourse
 - B. I have had sexual intercourse, but not during the past 3 months
 - C. 1 person
 - D. 2 people
 - E. 3 people
 - F. 4 people
 - G. 5 people
 - H. 6 or more people

- 67. Did you drink alcohol or use drugs before you had sexual intercourse the **last time**?
 - A. I have never had sexual intercourse
 - B. Yes
 - C. No

- 68. The **last time** you had sexual intercourse, did you or your partner use a condom?

- A. I have never had sexual intercourse
- B. Yes
- C. No

69. The **last time** you had sexual intercourse, what **one** method did you or your partner use to **prevent pregnancy**? (Select only **one** response.)
- A. I have never had sexual intercourse
 - B. No method was used to prevent pregnancy
 - C. Birth control pills
 - D. Condoms
 - E. Depo-Provera (injectable birth control)
 - F. Withdrawal
 - G. Some other method
 - H. Not sure

The next 4 questions ask about body weight.

70. How do **you** describe your weight?
- A. Very underweight
 - B. Slightly underweight
 - C. About the right weight
 - D. Slightly overweight
 - E. Very overweight
71. Which of the following are you trying to do about your weight?
- A. **Lose** weight
 - B. **Gain** weight
 - C. **Stay** the same weight
 - D. I am **not trying to do anything** about my weight
72. During the past 30 days, did you **exercise** to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight?
- A. Yes
 - B. No
73. During the past 30 days, did you **eat less food, fewer calories, or foods low in fat** to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight?
- A. Yes
 - B. No

The next 9 questions ask about food you ate or drank during the past 7 days. Think about all the meals and snacks you had from the time you got up until you went to bed. Be sure to include food you ate at home, at school, at restaurants, or anywhere else.

74. During the past 7 days, how many times did you drink **100% fruit juices** such as orange juice, apple juice, or grape juice? (Do **not** count punch, Kool-Aid, sports drinks, or other fruit-flavored drinks.)
- A. I did not drink 100% fruit juice during the past 7 days
 - B. 1 to 3 times during the past 7 days
 - C. 4 to 6 times during the past 7 days
 - D. 1 time per day
 - E. 2 times per day
 - F. 3 times per day
 - G. 4 or more times per day
75. During the past 7 days, how many times did you eat **fruit**? (Do **not** count fruit juice.)
- A. I did not eat fruit during the past 7 days
 - B. 1 to 3 times during the past 7 days
 - C. 4 to 6 times during the past 7 days
 - D. 1 time per day
 - E. 2 times per day
 - F. 3 times per day
 - G. 4 or more times per day
76. During the past 7 days, how many times did you eat **green salad**?
- A. I did not eat green salad during the past 7 days
 - B. 1 to 3 times during the past 7 days
 - C. 4 to 6 times during the past 7 days
 - D. 1 time per day
 - E. 2 times per day
 - F. 3 times per day
 - G. 4 or more times per day
77. During the past 7 days, how many times did you eat **potatoes**? (Do **not** count french fries, fried potatoes, or potato chips.)
- A. I did not eat potatoes during the past 7 days
 - B. 1 to 3 times during the past 7 days
 - C. 4 to 6 times during the past 7 days
 - D. 1 time per day
 - E. 2 times per day
 - F. 3 times per day
 - G. 4 or more times per day
78. During the past 7 days, how many times did you eat **carrots**?
- A. I did not eat carrots during the past 7 days
 - B. 1 to 3 times during the past 7 days
 - C. 4 to 6 times during the past 7 days
 - D. 1 time per day
 - E. 2 times per day
 - F. 3 times per day
 - G. 4 or more times per day
79. During the past 7 days, how many times did you eat **other vegetables**? (Do **not** count green salad, potatoes, or carrots.)
- A. I did not eat other vegetables during the past 7 days
 - B. 1 to 3 times during the past 7 days
 - C. 4 to 6 times during the past 7 days
 - D. 1 time per day
 - E. 2 times per day
 - F. 3 times per day
 - G. 4 or more times per day

80. During the past 7 days, how many times did you drink a **can, bottle, or glass of soda or pop**, such as Coke, Pepsi, or Sprite? (Do **not** include diet soda or diet pop.)
- A. I did not drink soda or pop during the past 7 days
 - B. 1 to 3 times during the past 7 days
 - C. 4 to 6 times during the past 7 days
 - D. 1 time per day
 - E. 2 times per day
 - F. 3 times per day
 - G. 4 or more times per day
81. During the past 7 days, how many times did you drink a **can, bottle, or glass of a sugar sweetened drink**, such as sports drinks, sweetened energy drinks, Snapple, fruit punch, Kool-Aid, Tang, or Capri-Sun? (Do **not** include soda or pop, diet drinks, or 100% fruit juice.)
- A. I did not drink sugar sweetened drinks during the past 7 days
 - B. 1 to 3 times during the past 7 days
 - C. 4 to 6 times during the past 7 days
 - D. 1 time per day
 - E. 2 times per day
 - F. 3 times per day
 - G. 4 or more times per day
82. During the past 7 days, how many **glasses of milk** did you drink? (Include the milk you drank in a glass or cup, from a carton, or with cereal. Count the half pint of milk served at school as equal to one glass.)
- A. I did not drink milk during the past 7 days
 - B. 1 to 3 glasses during the past 7 days
 - C. 4 to 6 glasses during the past 7 days
 - D. 1 glass per day
 - E. 2 glasses per day
 - F. 3 glasses per day
 - G. 4 or more glasses per day

The next 6 questions ask about physical activity.

83. During the past 7 days, on how many days were you physically active for a total of **at least 60 minutes per day**? (Add up all the time you spent in any kind of physical activity that increased your heart rate and made you breathe hard some of the time.)
- A. 0 days
 - B. 1 day
 - C. 2 days
 - D. 3 days
 - E. 4 days
 - F. 5 days
 - G. 6 days
 - H. 7 days
84. On an average school day, how many hours do you watch TV?
- A. I do not watch TV on an average school day
 - B. Less than 1 hour per day
 - C. 1 hour per day
 - D. 2 hours per day
 - E. 3 hours per day
 - F. 4 hours per day
 - G. 5 or more hours per day
85. On an average school day, how many hours do you play video or computer games or use a computer for something that is not school work? (Include activities such as Nintendo, Game Boy, PlayStation, Xbox, computer games, and the Internet.)
- A. I do not play video or computer games or use a computer for something that is not school work
 - B. Less than 1 hour per day
 - C. 1 hour per day
 - D. 2 hours per day
 - E. 3 hours per day
 - F. 4 hours per day
 - G. 5 or more hours per day

86. In an average week when you are in school, on how many days do you go to physical education (PE) classes?
- A. 0 days
 - B. 1 day
 - C. 2 days
 - D. 3 days
 - E. 4 days
 - F. 5 days
87. During an average physical education (PE) class, how many minutes do you spend actually exercising or playing sports?
- A. I do not take PE
 - B. Less than 10 minutes
 - C. 10 to 20 minutes
 - D. 21 to 30 minutes
 - E. 31 to 40 minutes
 - F. 41 to 50 minutes
 - G. 51 to 60 minutes
 - H. More than 60 minutes
88. During the past 12 months, on how many sports teams did you play? (Include any teams run by your school or community groups.)
- A. 0 teams
 - B. 1 team
 - C. 2 teams
 - D. 3 or more teams

The next 3 questions ask about other health-related topics.

89. Have you ever been taught about AIDS or HIV infection in school?
- A. Yes
 - B. No
 - C. Not sure
90. Has a doctor or nurse ever told you that you have asthma?
- A. Yes
 - B. No
 - C. Not sure
91. Do you still have asthma?

- A. I have never had asthma
- B. Yes
- C. No
- D. Not sure

The next 8 questions ask about other health topics.

- 92. How often does one of your parents talk with you about what you are doing in school?
 - A. Never
 - B. Less than once a month
 - C. About once or twice a month
 - D. About once or twice a week
 - E. About every day

- 93. Do you agree or disagree that your teachers really care about you and give you a lot of encouragement?
 - A. Strongly agree
 - B. Agree
 - C. Not sure
 - D. Disagree
 - E. Strongly disagree

- 94. Besides your parents, how many adults would you feel comfortable seeking help from if you had an important question affecting your life?
 - A. 0 adults
 - B. 1 adult
 - C. 2 adults
 - D. 3 adults
 - E. 4 adults
 - F. 5 or more adults

- 95. During an average week, how many hours do you spend helping or volunteering at school or in the community (such as helping elders or neighbors; watching young children; teaching or tutoring; peer helping; mentoring; or helping out at local programs, health clinics, faith organizations, tribal organizations, or environmental organizations)?
 - A. 0 hours
 - B. 1 hour
 - C. 2 hours
 - D. 3 to 5 hours
 - E. 6 to 10 hours
 - F. 11 or more hours

96. During an average week, on how many days do you take part in organized after school, evening, or weekend activities (such as school clubs; community center groups; music, art, or dance lessons; drama; church; or cultural or other supervised activities)?
- A. 0 days
 - B. 1 day
 - C. 2 days
 - D. 3 days
 - E. 4 days
 - F. 5 days
 - G. 6 days
 - H. 7 days

97. Do you agree or disagree that you feel alone in your life?
- A. Strongly agree
 - B. Agree
 - C. Not sure
 - D. Disagree
 - E. Strongly disagree

98. Do you agree or disagree that in your community you feel like you matter to people?
- A. Strongly agree
 - B. Agree
 - C. Not sure
 - D. Disagree
 - E. Strongly disagree
99. Do you agree or disagree that your school has clear rules and consequences for behavior?
- A. Strongly agree
 - B. Agree
 - C. Not sure
 - D. Disagree
 - E. Strongly disagree

**This is the end of the survey.
Thank you very much for your help.**

The following organizations ask for your support of this very important legislation:

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Alaska Red Ribbon Coalition

Spirit of Youth

MAPP of the Southern Kenai Peninsula

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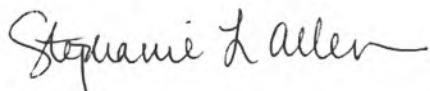
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Seward Prevention Coalition

Yakutat Tlingit Tribe

Thank you for your consideration,



Stephanie L. Allen

United Way of Mat-Su

Mat-Su Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition



Dear Honorable House Representatives:

We are writing to you on behalf of the Alaska Wellness Coalition in support of Senate Bill 8, *"An Act relating to questionnaires and surveys administered in the public schools."* The Alaska Wellness Coalition is pleased to support the state's Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) and changing legislation for consent to participate in the survey. The information collected through the YRBS is vitally important for local, state and national level information about the behaviors affecting the health and well-being of our youth. The data provided by the YRBS is an invaluable resource that schools, health care and public health professionals, and others can use to set and monitor program goals, develop and evaluate effective health education programs and community-based prevention strategies, and assess protective and risk factors among our youth at community, state, and nationwide levels.

The YRBS has been established across the country as a psychometrically valid assessment instrument for measuring the following risky behaviors: tobacco use, poor eating habits, inadequate physical activity, alcohol and other drug use, sexual behaviors that contribute to unintended pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases, and behaviors that contribute to unintentional injuries and violence. YRBS data is a critical resource used by many of our organizations to set and monitor program goals, develop health education programs, support health-related legislation, and seek funding for programs that focus on reducing health risk behaviors among youth.

Reliable and statistically valid community data is critical to our mission of supporting our youth. Routine standardized surveys such as the YRBS allows us to track trends over time and help guide and evaluate the important youth programs we implement to keep our youth on track to graduate from high school, avoid delinquency and reject substance use.

The YRBS has a required response rate of 60% to make it statistically valid. Current legislation requires active parental consent which presents significant obstacles and costs to achieving this response rate. Approximately \$90,000 is spent for just one survey cycle in order to provide the incentives necessary to simply get permission slips returned. However, failure to return permission slips is primarily linked to apathy, oversight, and student error, not parental refusal of permission, which averages around 10%.

SB 8 protects previously legislated parental rights to consent, parental rights to notification, and children's right to refuse participation. We support SB 8 because it continues to provide these protections and respects the privacy of families, while removing the obstacles to obtaining this vital data that allows us to track and improve conditions for our youth.

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Thank you for your consideration,

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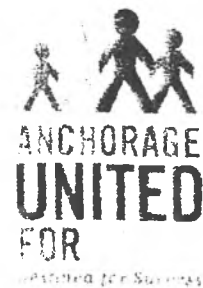
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February 24, 2011

Senator Bettye Davis
Alaska Senate Education Committee
Alaska State Senate
State Capitol Room 30
Juneau, Alaska 99801



Dear Senator Davis and Members of the Senate Education Committee:

The Leadership Team of Anchorage United for Youth requests your support for Senate Bill 8, "*An Act relating to questionnaires and surveys administered in the public schools.*"

Anchorage United for Youth has been making real headway at addressing the issues that impact Anchorage youth through a coordinated community effort with over 40 non-profit, public and private partners committed to increasing graduation rates, decreasing youth substance use and reducing juvenile crime rates. Current success with the Anchorage United for Youth plan and its implementation has led to interest from around the state in replicating this effort. Reliable and valid data like that obtained through the Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) is integral to the success and sustainability of this effort.

Reliable and statistically valid community data is critical to our mission of supporting Anchorage youth. Routine standardized surveys such as the YRBS allow us to track trends over time and help guide and evaluate the important youth programs we implement to keep our youth on track to graduate from high school, avoid delinquency and reject substance use. The YRBS must have a response rate of 60% to make it statistically valid, yet current legislation requires active parental consent which presents significant obstacles and costs to achieving this response rate. Approximately \$90,000 is spent for just one survey cycle in order to provide the incentives necessary to simply get permission slips returned. However, failure to return permission slips is primarily linked to apathy, oversight, and student error, not parental refusal of permission, which averages around 10%.

Senate Bill 8 protects previously legislated parental rights to consent, parental rights to notification, and children's rights to refuse participation. We support Senate Bill 8 because it continues to provide these protections and respects the privacy of families, while removing the obstacles to obtaining this vital data that allows us to track and improve conditions for our youth.

We thank you for your commitment to youth in the state of Alaska and ask for your support of Senate Bill 8.

Sincerely,

Greg Razo, Cook Inlet Region, Inc.
Chair, Anchorage United for Youth Leadership Team

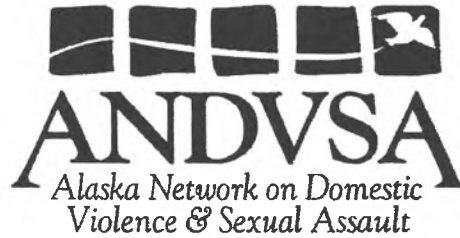
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February 4, 2011

Senator Bettye Davis
State Capitol, Room 30
Juneau, AK 99801

Re: Letter of Support for SB 8

Dear Senator Davis:

Thank you for introducing SB 8: *An Act Relating to Questionnaires and Surveys Administered in the Public Schools*. The Alaska Network on Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault is committed to prevention efforts and serving victims of violence. This bill can help. SB 8 will provide a valuable tool in our efforts to understand the prevalence and shared risks of youth experiencing violence, while retaining a family's rights to remove their child from participating in the survey and allow a key segment of the student population, often the most vulnerable students, to participate in the survey.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Youth Risk Behavioral Survey (YRBS) is used nationally, and within Alaska, to determine risk behaviors among the Alaska high school student population. CDC developed YRBS data is a credible data source that can be compared to national data. This survey covers a broad range of risk behaviors and streamlines information gathering and administering surveys in the schools. However, currently with our opt-in YRBS policies, many communities, and sometimes our state, have struggled to have enough responses to consider the data valid.

This information and data is essential to help educators, health workers, social service agencies, victim service programs, and other allied professionals to better serve our communities. This data helps teachers working on prevention education to determine the best age to teach various skills and health topics in their classrooms. This data also helps organizations seeking resources to advocate for real needs in their communities as well as assisting health practitioners and others to determine how to best approach students with co-occurring risk behaviors.

Within the field of domestic and sexual violence prevention, current YRBS data indicates that in traditional high schools, more than 17% of 12th grade students have experience physical violence in a dating relationship and more than 11.5% have been forced to have sexual intercourse. We also know that in alternative schools, these numbers are 22.6% and 21.9%. While these numbers are staggering, they are incomplete, due to the current opt-out YRBS policies, with many of the most vulnerable students failing to return permission forms.

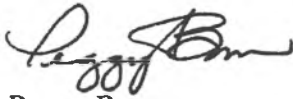
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This bill is also very timely and in line with Governor Parnell's initiative to end domestic and sexual violence in our state in the next 10 years. One of the key strategies to ending the violence is by focusing on primary prevention efforts that employs various strategies to stop perpetration of violence, *before it ever occurs*. To achieve this, the Governor has brought together a multi-disciplinary group of allied professionals from communities throughout Alaska to look at the current gaps in the data needed to reach our primary prevention goals. SB 8 will help to fill ones of those gaps.

Thank you for bringing forth a bill that will provide a low cost way to better understand the scope of teen dating and sexual violence in Alaska and will assist in strengthening our violence prevention efforts.

Sincerely,



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Executive Director

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Lori Grassgreen, Director of Prevention Projects

From: Becky Judd [mailto:bjudd-h@ak.net]

Sent: Thursday, February 24, 2011 11:03 PM

To: Sen. Kevin Meyer

Subject: Support for SB 8

Dear Senator Meyer,

I am writing in support of SB 8, an act related to surveys and questionnaires in public schools. I believe there will be public testimony on Friday 2/24 at 8am. Please accept this email as public testimony.

I have worked in the prevention of teen pregnancy, substance use, tobacco and suicide with school communities statewide for over 20 years. Local schools and agencies need the YRBS data to: 1) evaluate services in their community; 2) determine the effectiveness of their efforts in preventing the behaviors measured. Many state and national grants require this data to get funding.

The active consent law puts an undue burden on the schools to obtain positive parent permissions, becoming increasingly cumbersome and expensive. In the past, I volunteered assistance to a district conducting follow-up calls and letters to parents who forgot to send back the permission slips. My talking to hundreds of parents, only a few objected to their children's participation in the anonymous survey.

Parents opposed to participation, are already actively involved in their children's lives. They object when the surveys are taking place and are very proactive in voicing their objections in person. When the active consent is not needed for them. The growing burden on the schools to obtain these permissions is taking time away from instruction. Yet, we need this data, to determine the success of our efforts.

Please support SB8.

Sincerely,

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2011 Alaska Youth Risk Behavior Survey

- **Highlights**
- **Traditional High Schools**
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Alaska Youth Risk Behavior Survey

Alaska Youth Risk Behavior Survey Trends 1995-2011

Prevalence of Selected Risk Behaviors for Students in Traditional High Schools (grades 9-12)

1995	1997	1999	2001	2003	2005	2007	2009	2011	Trend from 1995-2011**
Rarely or never wore a seat belt:									
19.5%				15.1%		7.0%	12.1%	8.7%	⊖ Decreasing
Rode with a driver who had been drinking alcohol one or more times:									
31.9%				25.0%		23.5%	21.3%	18.6%	⊖ Decreasing
Carried a weapon on school property on at least one day:									
12.3%				7.1%		8.4%	7.8%	5.7%	⊖ Decreasing
In a physical fight during the past year:									
35.8%				27.1%		29.2%	27.8%	23.7%	⊖ Decreasing
Did not go to school because they felt unsafe at school or on their way to or from school on at least 1 day:									
3.6%				4.1%		5.5%	6.0%	4.7%	No change
Seriously considered attempting suicide:									
23.9%				16.7%		16.5%	13.9%	14.5%	⊖ Decreasing
Attempted suicide one or more times during the past year:									
9.4%				8.1%		10.7%	8.5%	8.7%	No change
Current smoking:									
36.5%				19.2%		17.8%	15.7%	14.1%	⊖ Decreasing
Current smokeless tobacco use:									
15.6%				11.2%		10.4%	13.6%	8.4%	⊖ Decreasing
Current drinking:									
47.5%				38.7%		39.7%	33.2%	28.6%	⊖ Decreasing
Binge drinking:									
31.3%				26.5%		25.8%	21.7%	16.7%	⊖ Decreasing
Current marijuana use:									
28.7%				23.9%		20.5%	22.7%	21.2%	⊖ Decreasing
Ever had sexual intercourse:									
47.2%				39.6%		45.1%	43.5%	38.3%	⊖ Decreasing
Currently sexually active:									
30.5%				27.6%		30.9%	30.4%	25.2%	No change
Had sexual intercourse with 4 or more people:									
17.1%				12.1%		13.4%	11.4%	9.7%	⊖ Decreasing
Used a condom before last sexual intercourse (among students who were sexually active):									
53.7%				62.3%		60.8%	62.2%	59.6%	⊕ Increasing
Percentage of students who were overweight or obese: (Question added in 2003)									
				25.4%		27.3%	26.2%	25.8%	No change
Ate fruits and vegetables 5 or more times per day: (Question added in 2003)									
				16.1%		15.7%	17.2%	21.4%	⊕ Increasing
Drank 1 or more sodas every day in past week:									
						21.8%	20.1%	17.6%	⊖ Decreasing
Attended physical education daily in an average week:									
26.4%				18.2%		17.7%	17.7%	17.4%	⊖ Decreasing

*Data only presented in years when statewide representative data were obtained; **Statistically significant linear trend.



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www.hss.state.ak.us/dph/chronic/school/YRBS.htm



Alaska Youth Risk Behavior Survey

Alaska's Youth Risk Behavior Survey

The Alaska Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) is part of an epidemiological surveillance system that was established in 1990 by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to monitor the prevalence of health-risk behaviors among youth. The survey was first implemented in Alaska in 1995. The YRBS is a biennial, anonymous and voluntary survey of students grades 9 - 12 in public traditional high schools (excluding boarding, correspondence, home study, alternative, and correctional schools). The YRBS is a joint project between the Department of Education & Early Development and the Department of Health and Social Services, in cooperation with the CDC.

The YRBS asks students to self-report on their behaviors in six major areas of health that directly lead to morbidity and mortality in youth and adult populations within our country. These six areas are:

- behaviors that result in unintentional and intentional injuries;
- tobacco use;
- alcohol and other drug use;
- sexual behaviors that can result in human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection, other sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) and unintended pregnancies;
- dietary behaviors; and
- physical activity.

In 2009 and 2011, a statewide survey of alternative high schools in Alaska was also implemented.

For more information on the Alaska YRBS go to:
www.hss.state.ak.us/dph/chronic/school/YRBS.htm

2011 Comparison: Alaska Traditional High School and Alternative High School Students**

Traditional High Schools	Alternative High Schools	Alternative students were at*:
Rarely or never wore a seat belt:		
8.7%	11.5%	= Equal risk
Rode with a driver who had been drinking alcohol:		
18.6%	28.1%	⊗ Greater risk
Carried a weapon on school property on at least 1 day:		
5.7%	9.4%	⊗ Greater risk
In a physical fight during the past year:		
23.7%	43.5%	⊗ Greater risk
Did not go to school because they felt unsafe at school or on their way to or from school on at least 1 day:		
4.7%	6.6%	⊗ Greater risk
Seriously considered attempting suicide:		
14.5%	21.2%	⊗ Greater risk
Attempted suicide during the past year:		
8.7%	13.2%	⊗ Greater risk
Current smoking:		
14.1%	47.7%	⊗ Greater risk
Current smokeless tobacco use:		
8.4%	17.4%	⊗ Greater risk
Current drinking:		
28.6%	49.1%	⊗ Greater risk
Binge drinking:		
16.7%	37.9%	⊗ Greater risk
Current marijuana use:		
21.2%	47.6%	⊗ Greater risk
Ever had sexual intercourse:		
38.3%	80.4%	⊗ Greater risk
Currently sexually active:		
25.2%	61.3%	⊗ Greater risk
Used condom before last sexual intercourse:		
59.6%	46.9%	⊗ Greater risk
Percentage of students who were overweight or obese:		
25.8%	32.9%	⊗ Greater risk
Ate fruits and vegetables 5 or more times per day:		
21.4%	22.2%	= Equal risk
Drank 1 or more sodas every day in past week:		
17.6%	30.6%	⊗ Greater risk
Attended physical education daily in an average week:		
17.4%	16.5%	= Equal risk

*Statistically significant difference.

**Comparable U.S. 2011 YRBS data were not available at the time of the publication of this preliminary 2011 Highlights report. The final 2011 Highlights report, including U.S. comparison data, will be published in 2012.

Summary of the 2011 Survey Results

On average, in an Alaska high school class of 30 students*:

- 5 - 6 rode (in the past month) with a driver who had been drinking alcohol
- 1 - 2 had carried a weapon to school
- 7 were in a physical fight in the past year
- 2 - 3 attempted suicide in the past year
- 4 smoked cigarettes and 2 - 3 used smokeless tobacco in the past month
- 8 - 9 drank alcohol in the past month
- 5 engaged in binge drinking in the past month
- 6 - 7 used marijuana in the past month
- 11 - 12 had ever had sexual intercourse
- 8 were either overweight or obese
- 16 - 17 were physically active for less than the recommended total of at least 60 minutes per day (on 5 or more days of the past 7 days).

Many students started engaging in risk behaviors before the age of 13:

- 11.1% had smoked a whole cigarette
- 16.9% had consumed their first drink of alcohol
- 10.4% had tried marijuana.

We also know that:

- 23% were bullied at school last year
- 15.3% were cyber-bullied last year
- 12% were physically hurt by a boyfriend or girlfriend in the past year, and
- 9.2% had ever been forced to have unwanted sexual intercourse

Many high school students are still engaging in unhealthy behaviors, increasing their likelihood of being hurt, fatally injured or developing diseases:

- Some of the goals set forth in Healthy Alaskans 2010 have been achieved and health-risk behaviors have been reduced in the following major areas: tobacco use, alcohol and other drug use, violence, and risky sexual behavior.
- Alternative high school students were at significantly greater risk than students in traditional high schools in Alaska for most health-risk behaviors and more likely to have engaged in risky behavior before the age of 13.
- Alternative high school students were more likely than traditional school students to feel that their teachers really cared about them and gave them a lot of encouragement and that their school had clear rules and consequences for behavior.

Supporters of Alaska's Youth Risk Behavior Survey

- Alaska Association of School Administrators
- Alaska Association of Secondary School Principals
- Alaska Health Education Consortium
- Alaska Mental Health Board
- Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority
- Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium
- Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault
- Alaska Parent Teacher Association (PTA)
- Alaska Public Health Association
- Alaska School Nurses Association
- Alaska Tobacco Control Alliance
- All Alaska Pediatric Partnership
- American Cancer Society
- American Heart Association
- American Lung Association
- Association of Alaska School Boards
- Governor's Advisory Board on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse
- United Way of Anchorage
- United Way of Mat-Su
- United Way of Southeast Alaska
- United Way of the Tanana Valley
- And more...



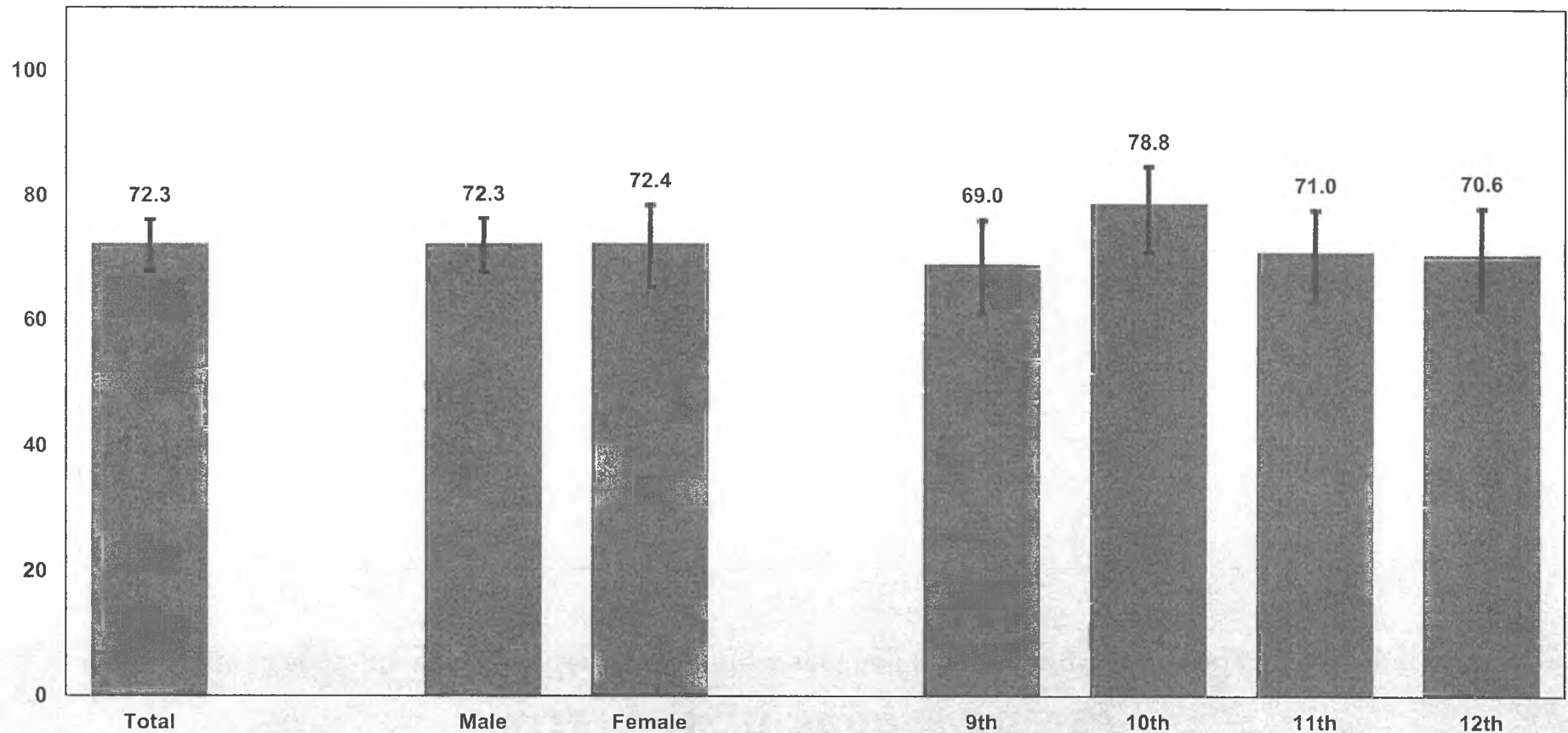
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*Traditional high schools only

2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Among students who rode a bicycle during the past 12 months, the percentage who never or rarely wore a bicycle helmet



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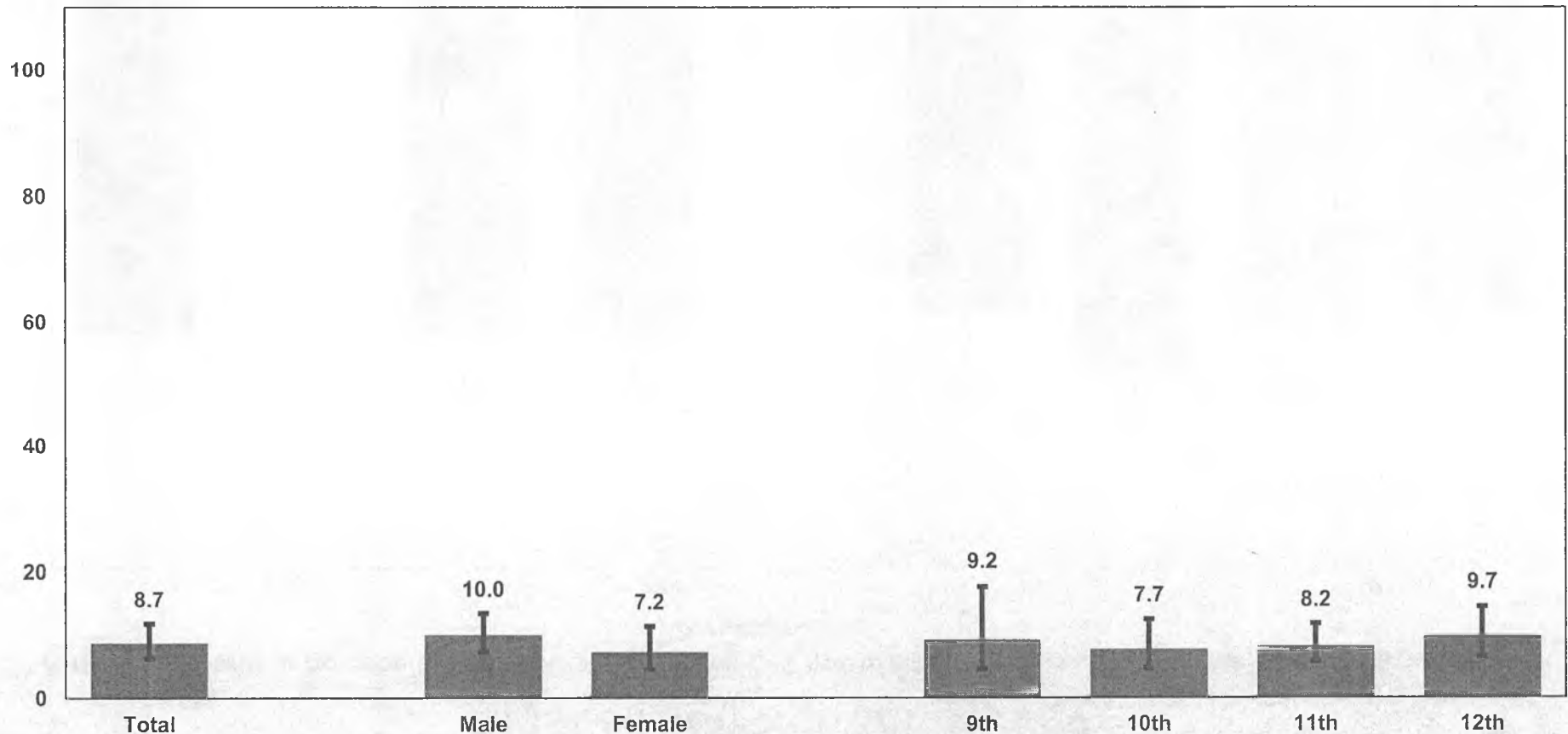
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who never or rarely wore a seat belt when riding in a car driven by someone else



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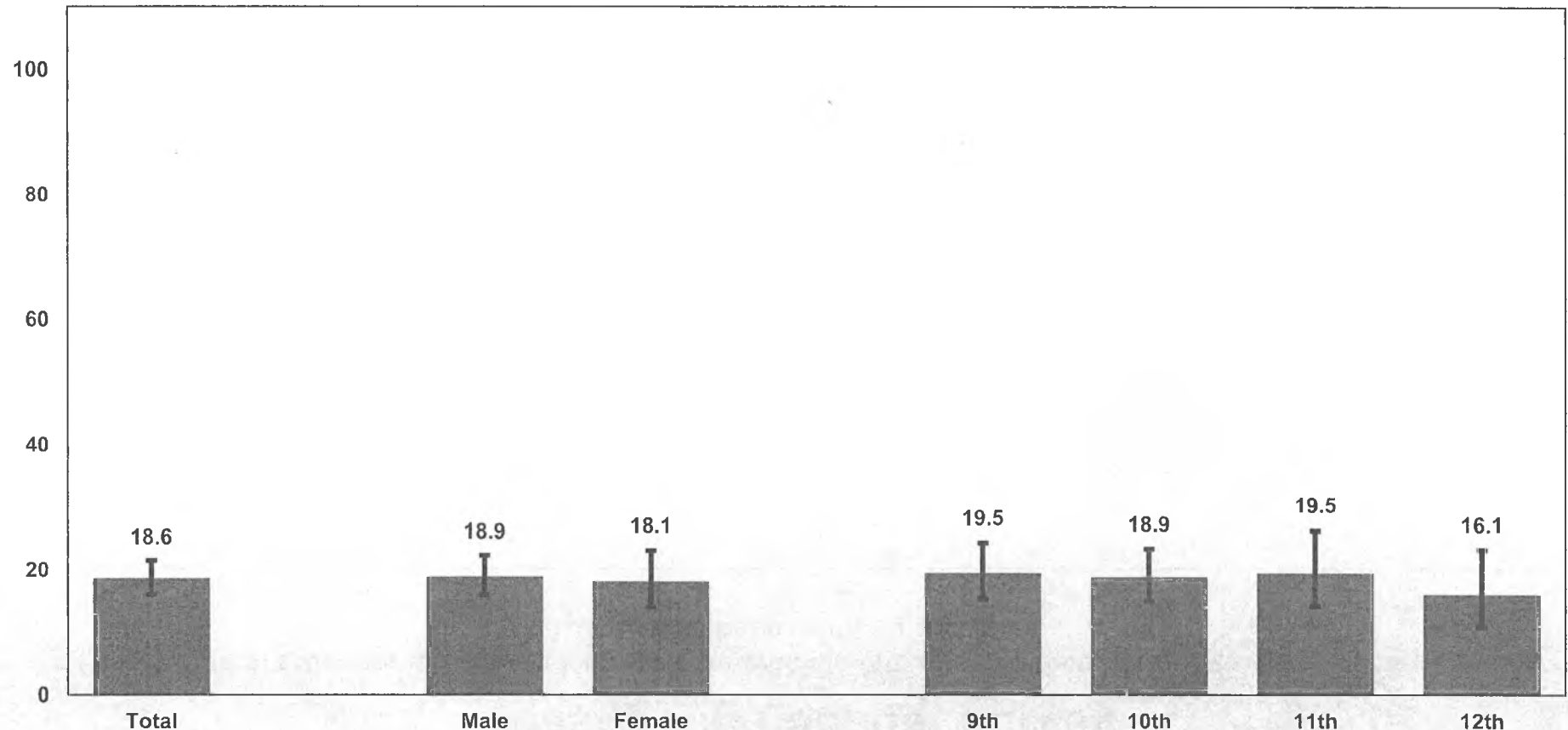
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who rode one or more times during the past 30 days in a car or other vehicle driven by someone who had been drinking alcohol



Q10 - Weighted Data

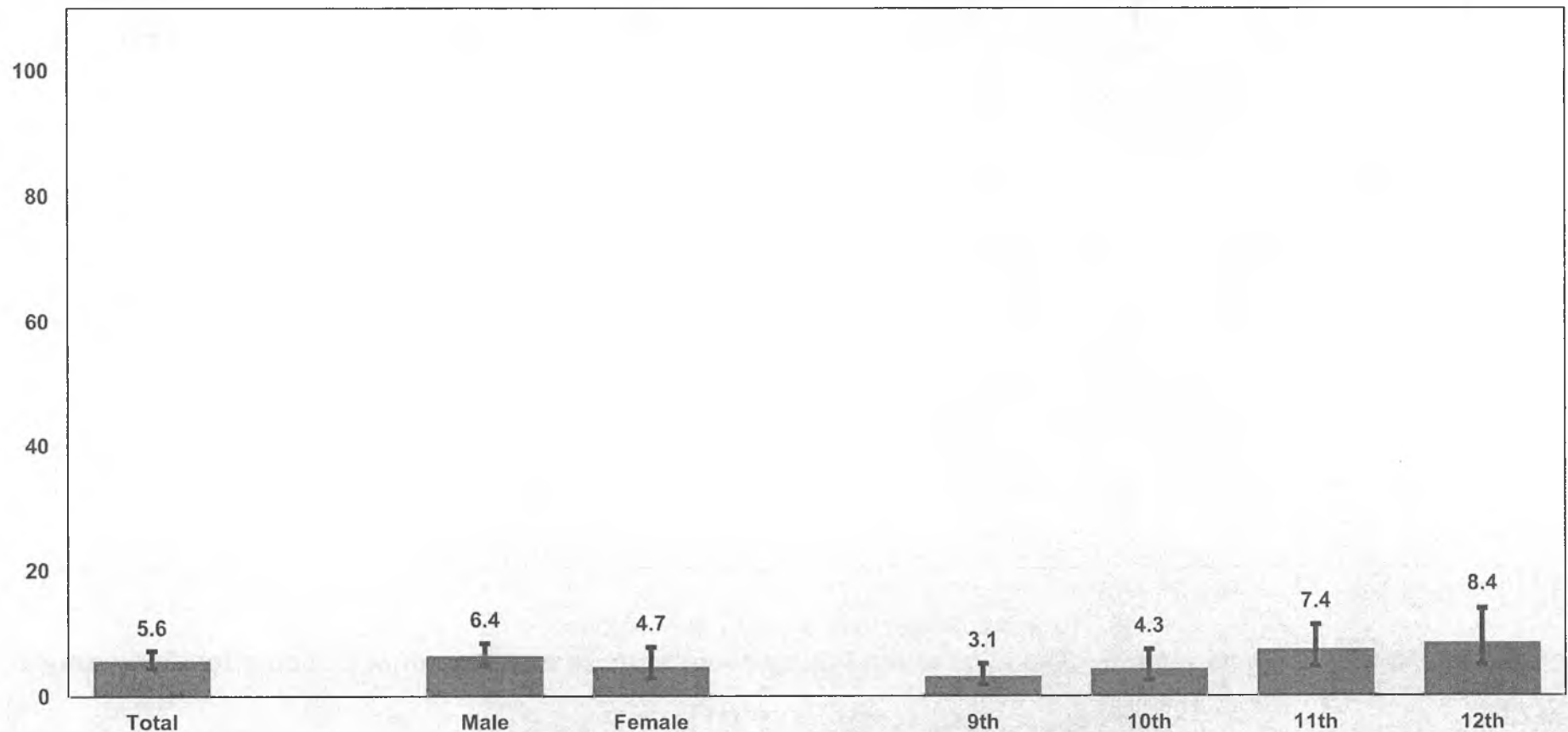
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who drove a car or other vehicle one or more times during the past 30 days when they had been drinking alcohol



Q11 - Weighted Data

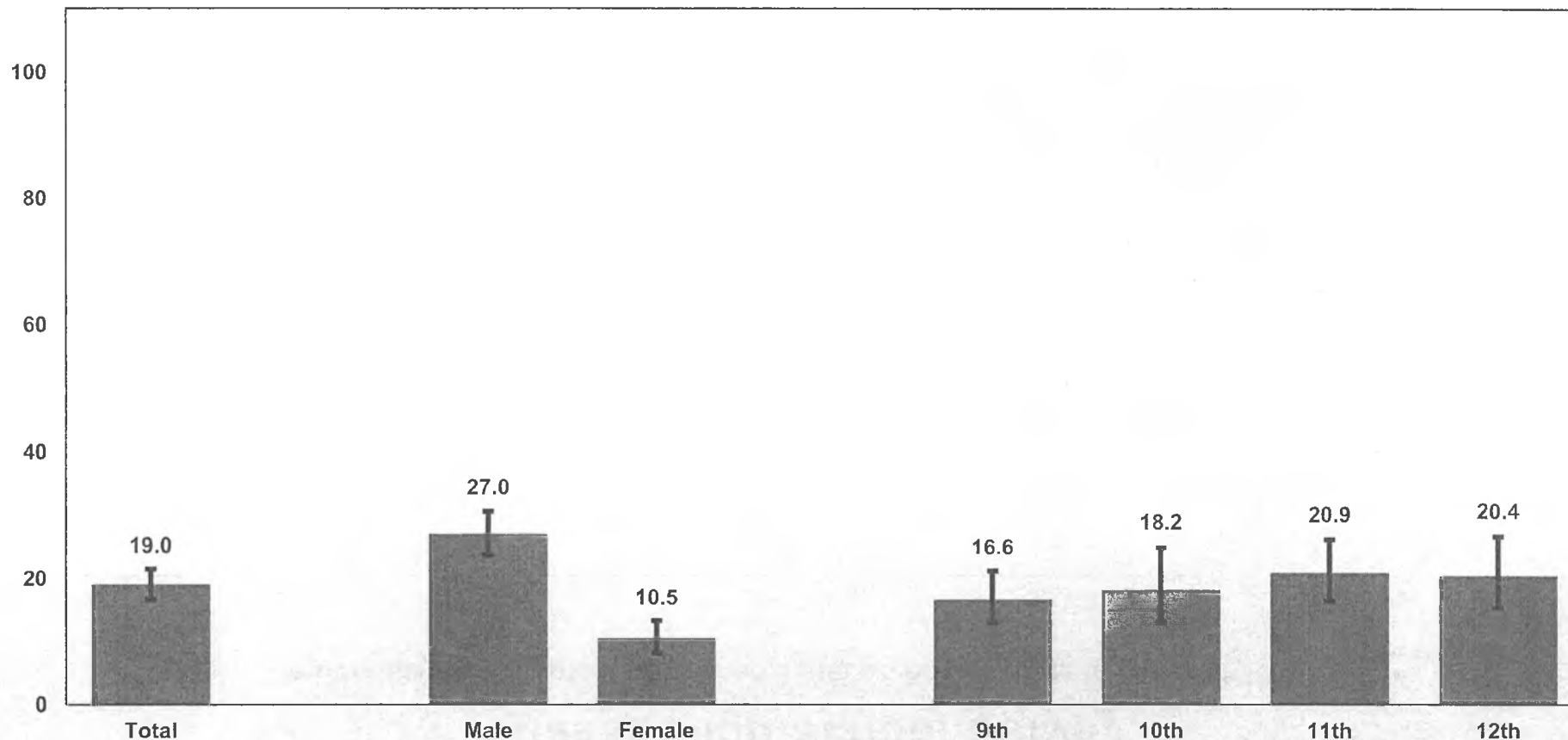
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who carried a weapon such as a gun, knife, or club on one or more of the past 30 days



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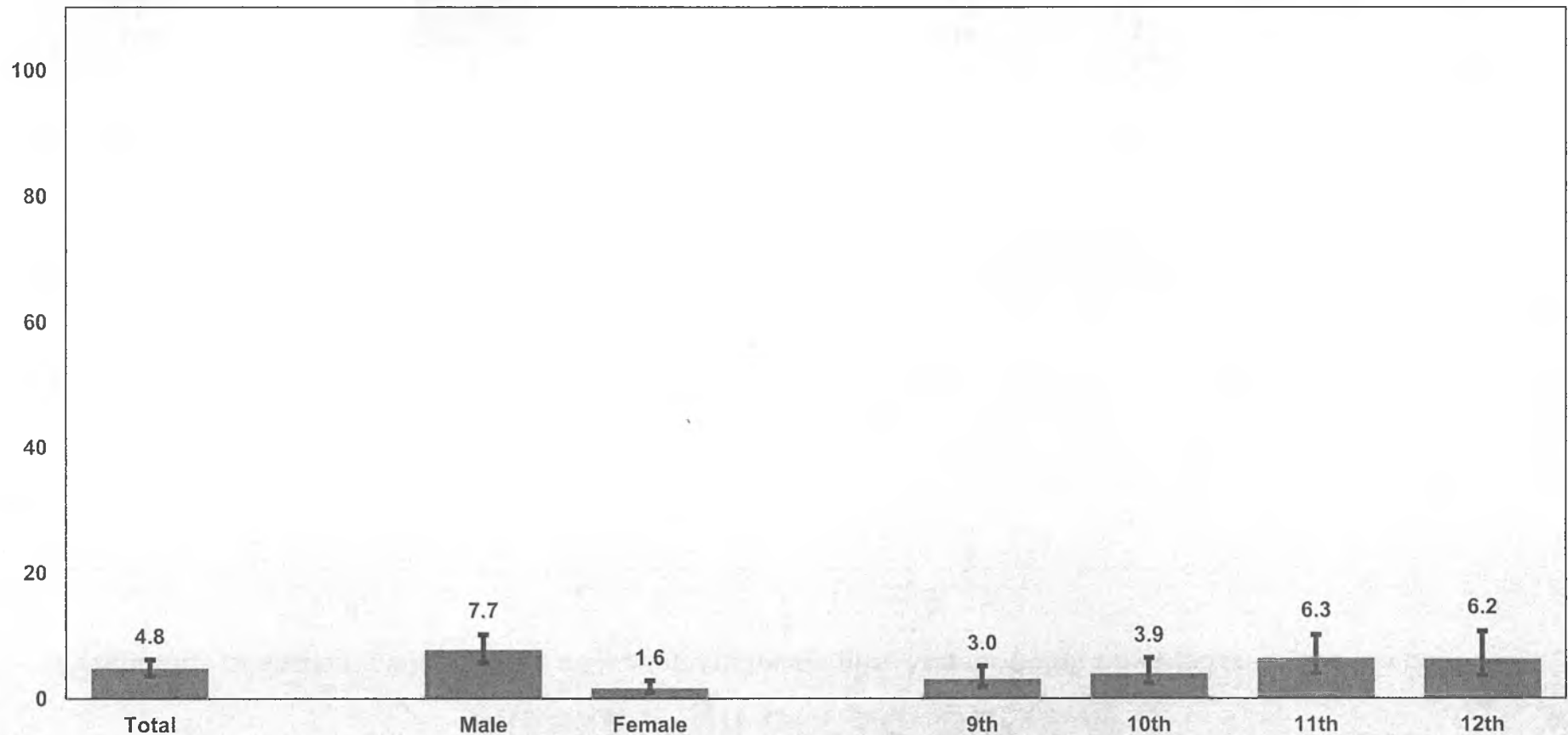
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who carried a gun on one or more of the past 30 days



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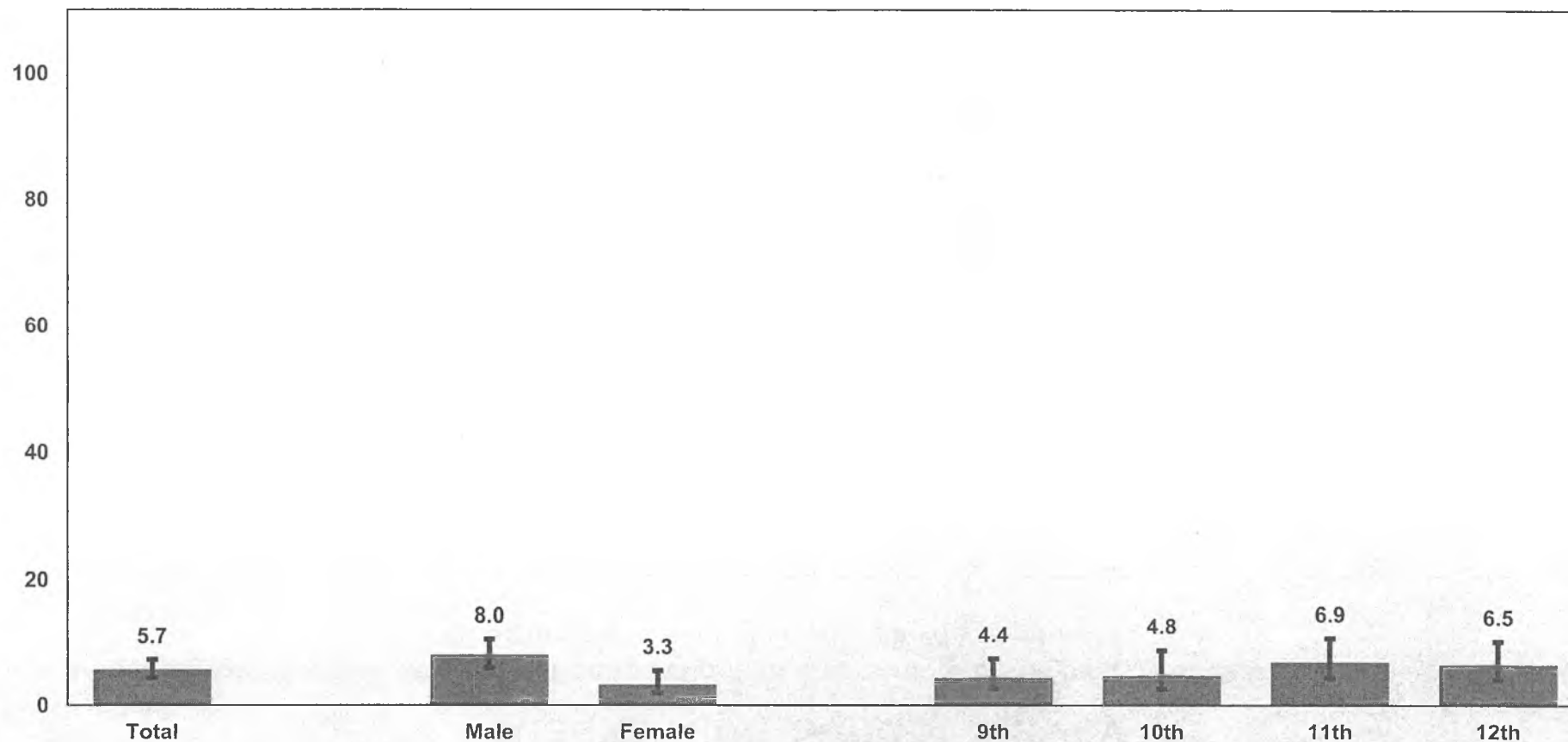
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who carried a weapon such as a gun, knife, or club on school property on one or more of the past 30 days



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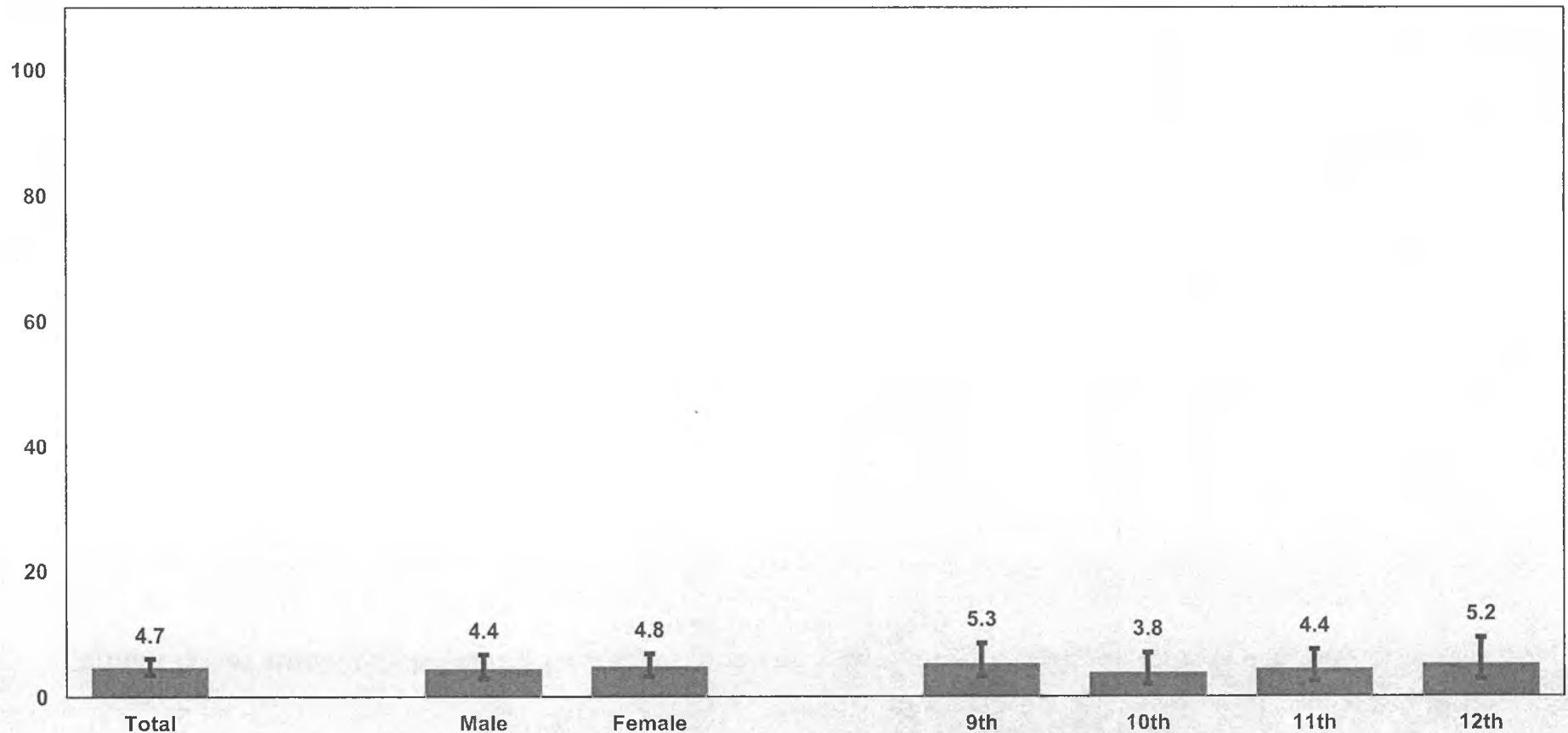
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who did not go to school on one or more of the past 30 days because they felt they would be unsafe at school or on their way to or from school



Q15 - Weighted Data

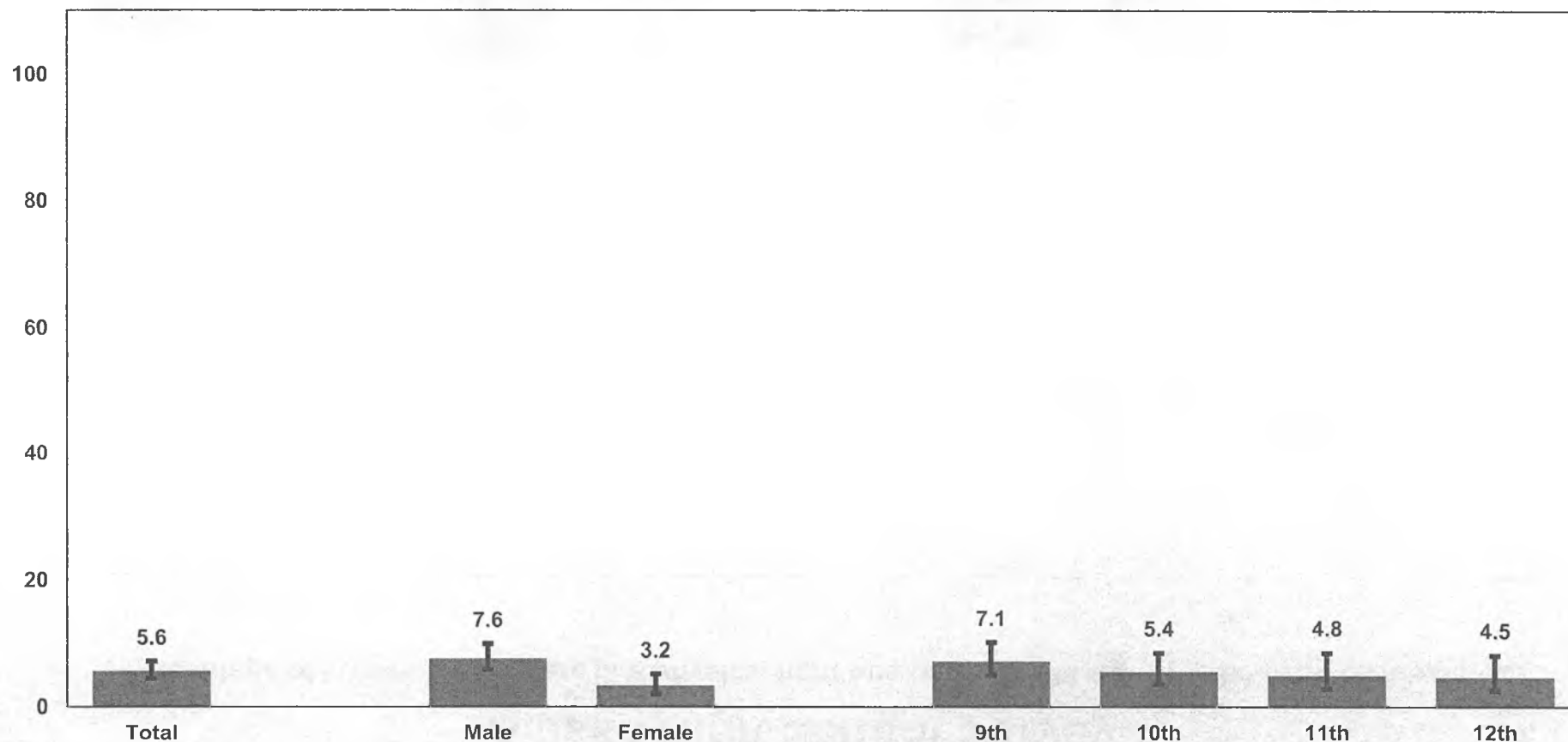
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who had been threatened or injured with a weapon such as a gun, knife, or club on school property one or more times during the past 12 months



Q16 - Weighted Data

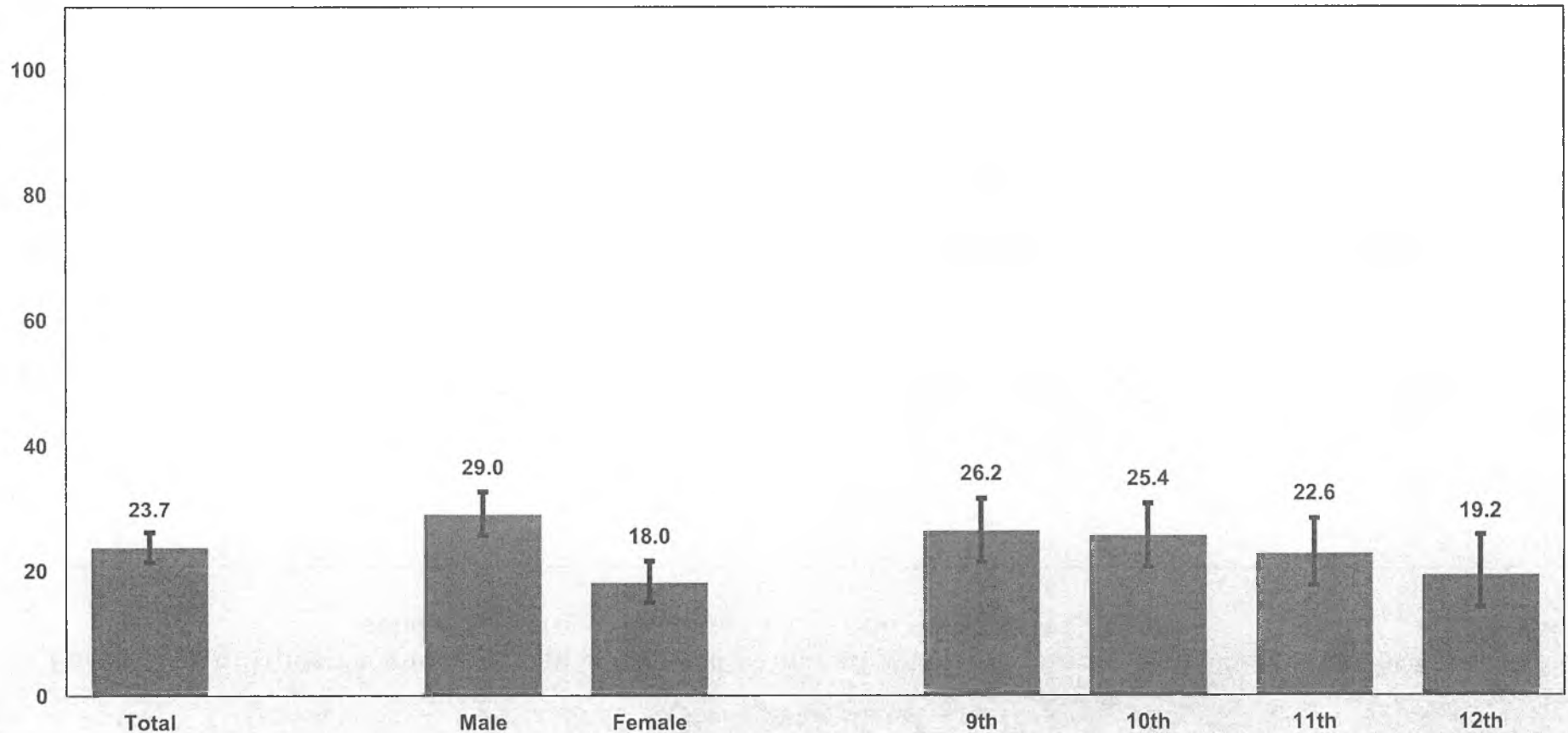
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who were in a physical fight one or more times during the past 12 months



Q17 - Weighted Data

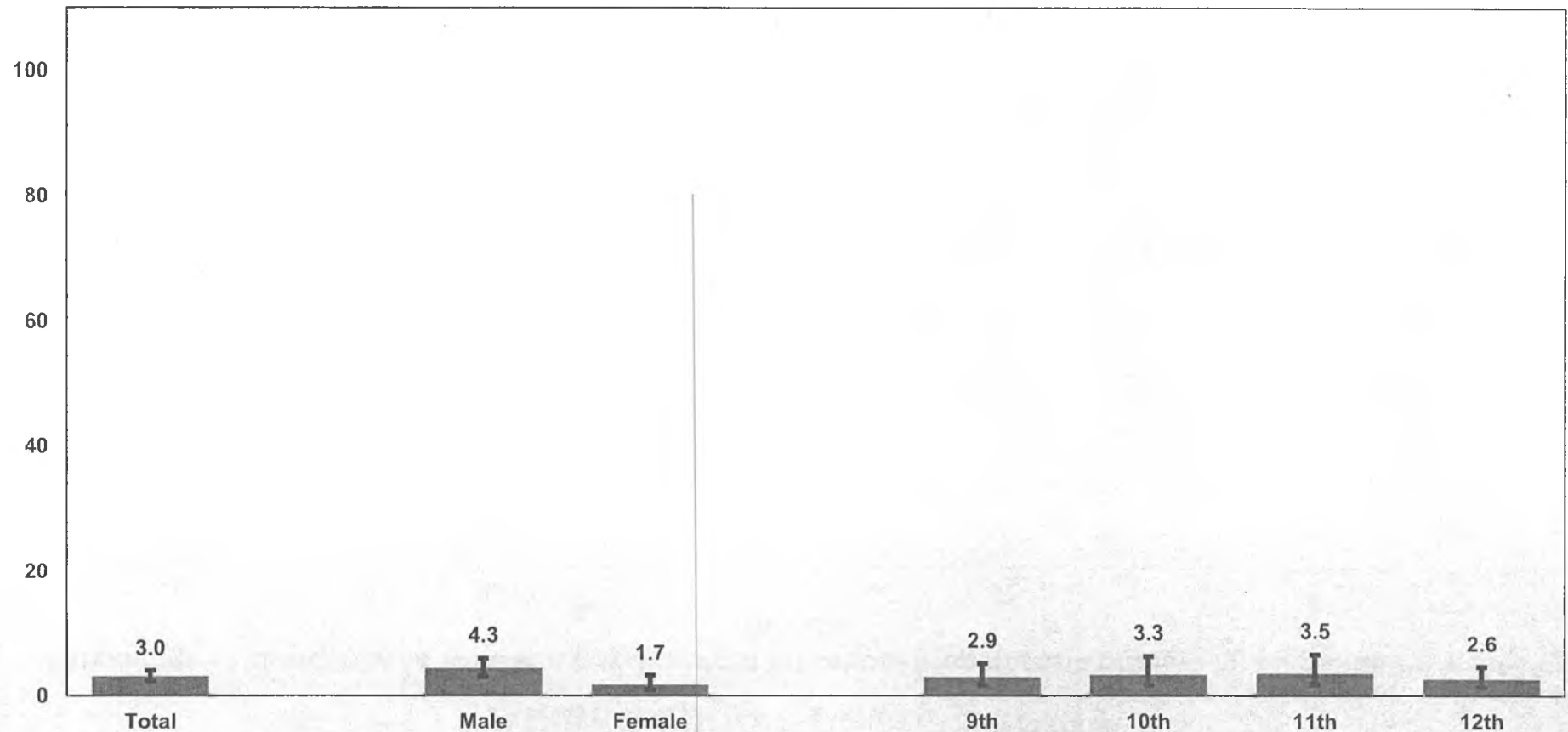
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who were in a physical fight one or more times during the past 12 months in which they were injured and had to be treated by a doctor or nurse



Q18 - Weighted Data

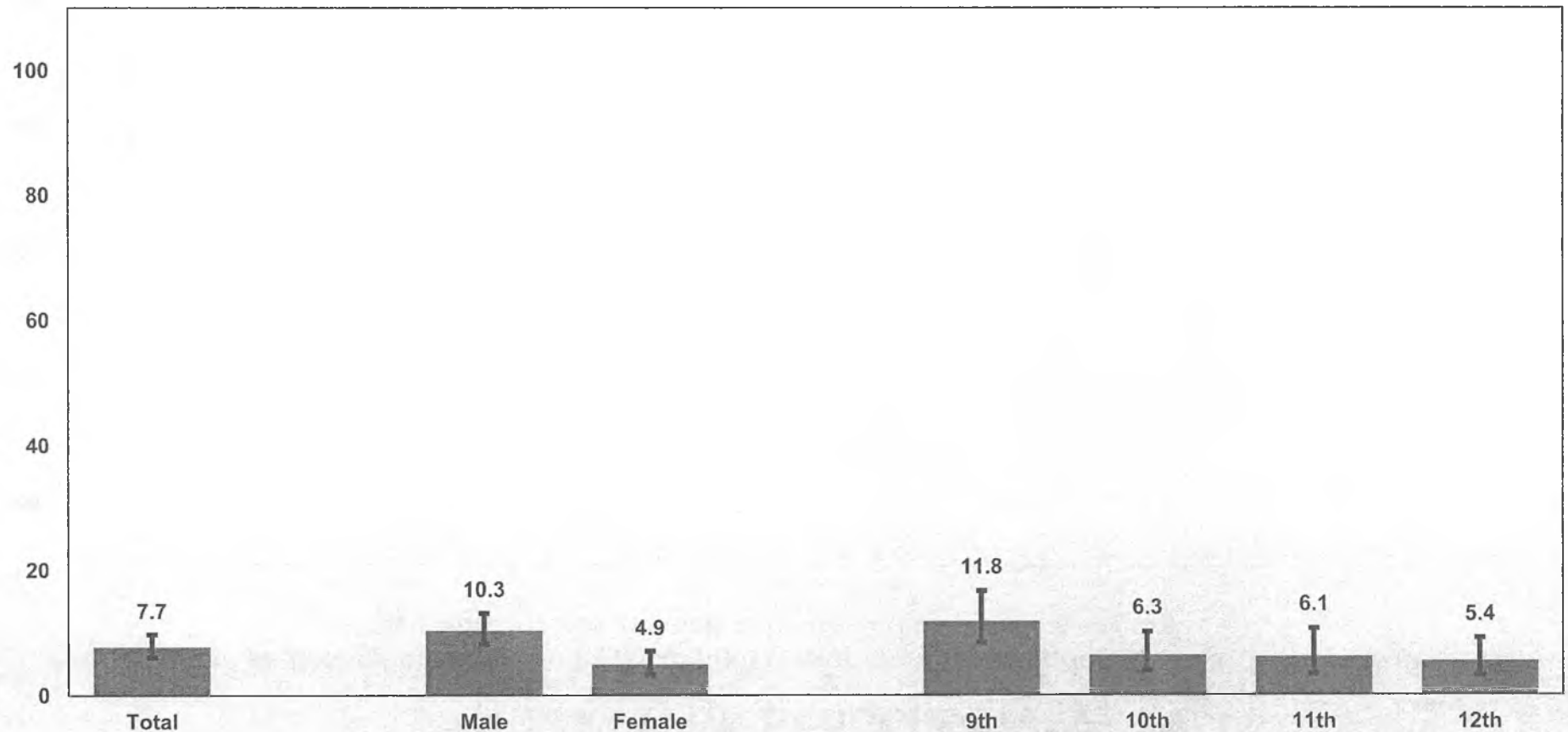
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who were in a physical fight on school property one or more times during the past 12 months



Q19 - Weighted Data

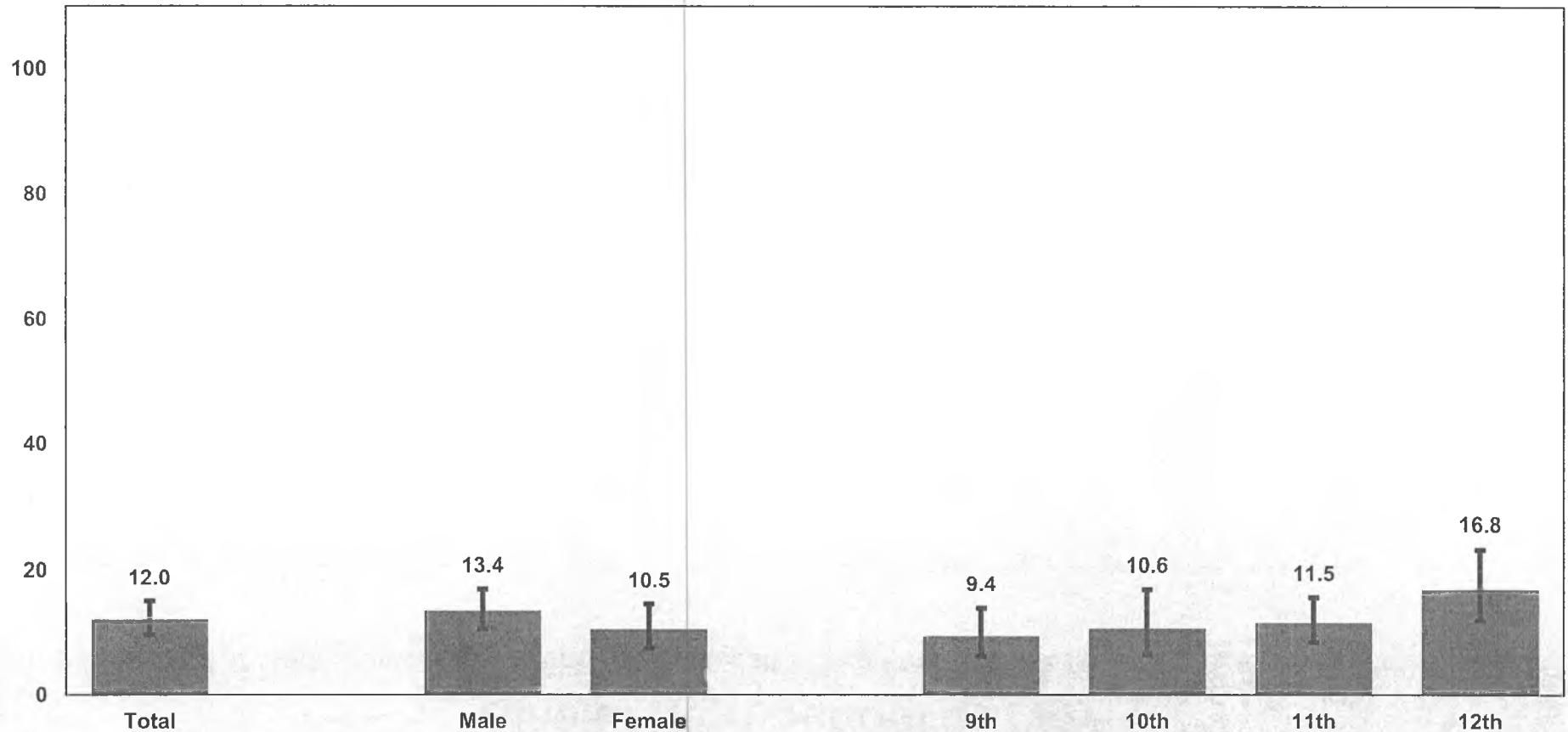
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who were ever hit, slapped, or physically hurt on purpose by their boyfriend or girlfriend during the past 12 months



Q20 - Weighted Data

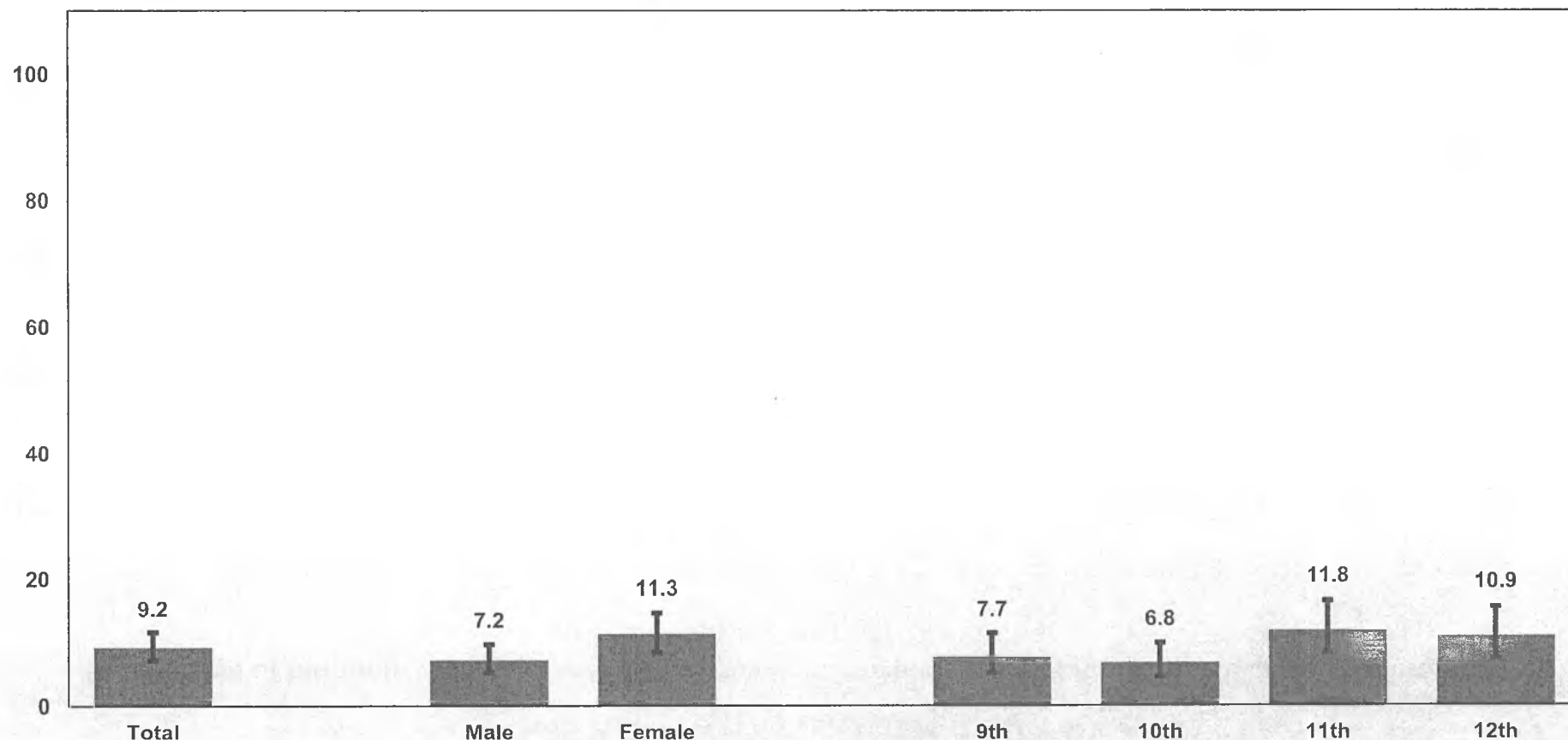
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who had ever been physically forced to have sexual intercourse when they did not want to



Q21 - Weighted Data

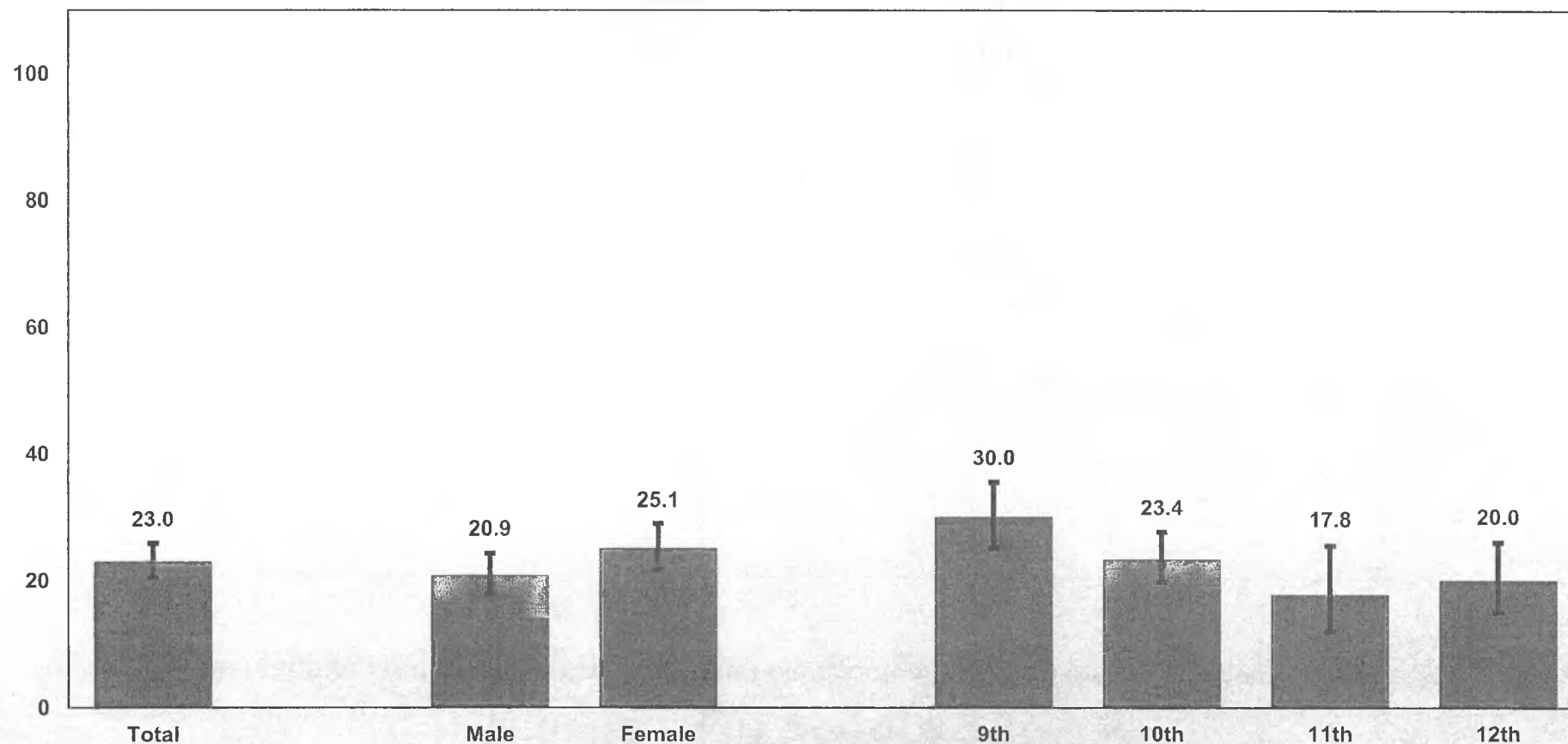
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who had ever been bullied on school property during the past 12 months



Q22 - Weighted Data

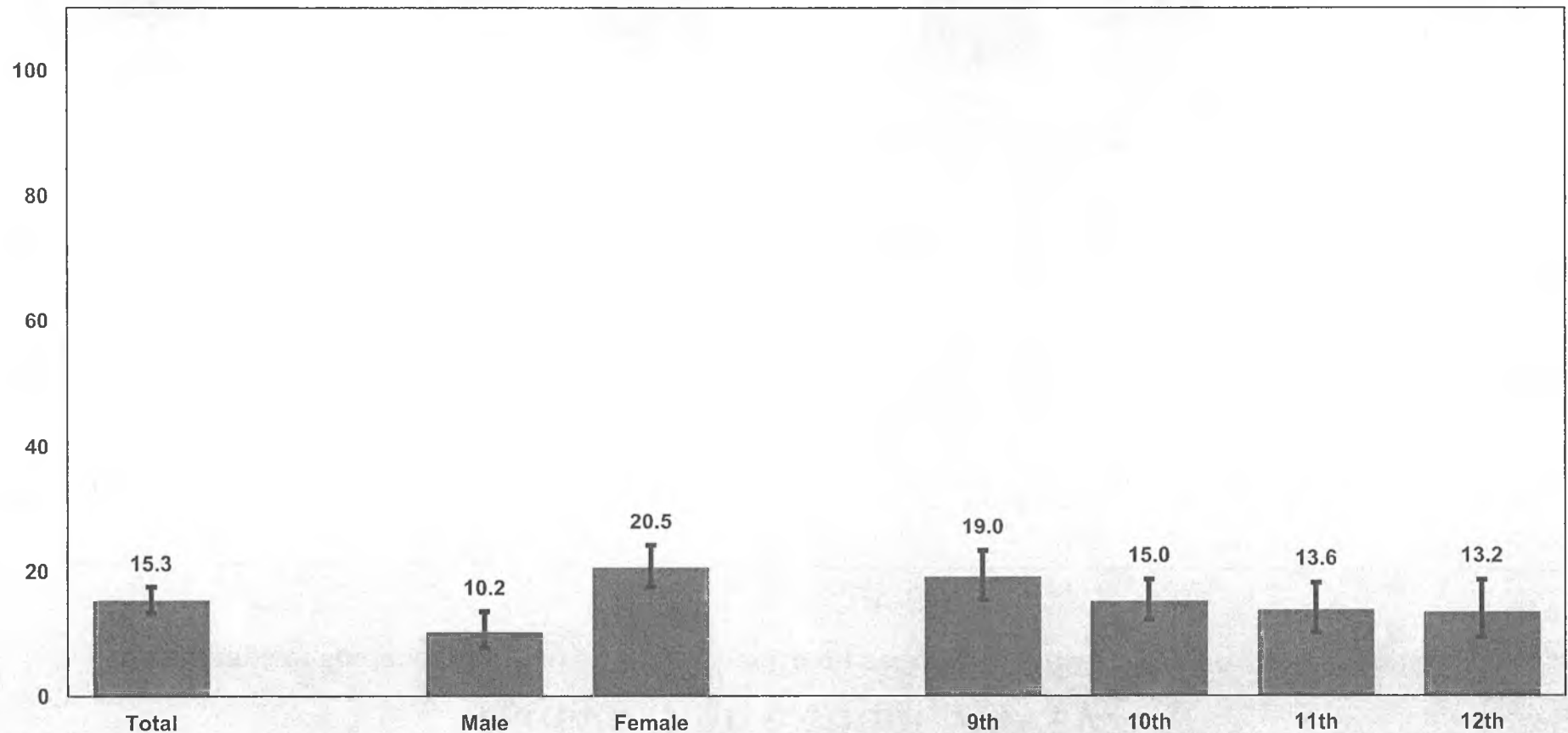
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who had ever been electronically bullied during the past 12 months



Q23 - Weighted Data

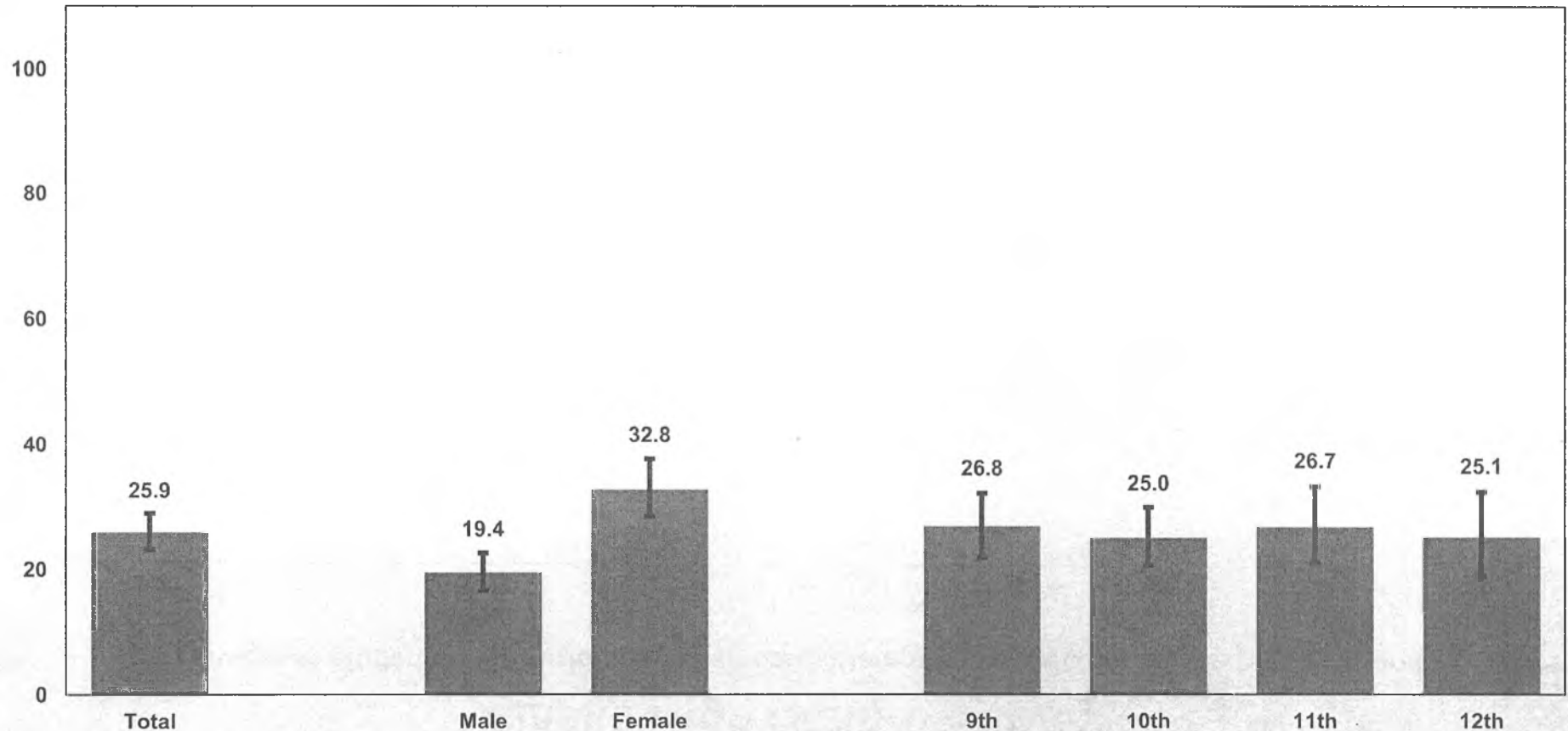
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who felt so sad or hopeless almost every day for two weeks or more in a row that they stopped doing some usual activities during the past 12 months



Q24 - Weighted Data

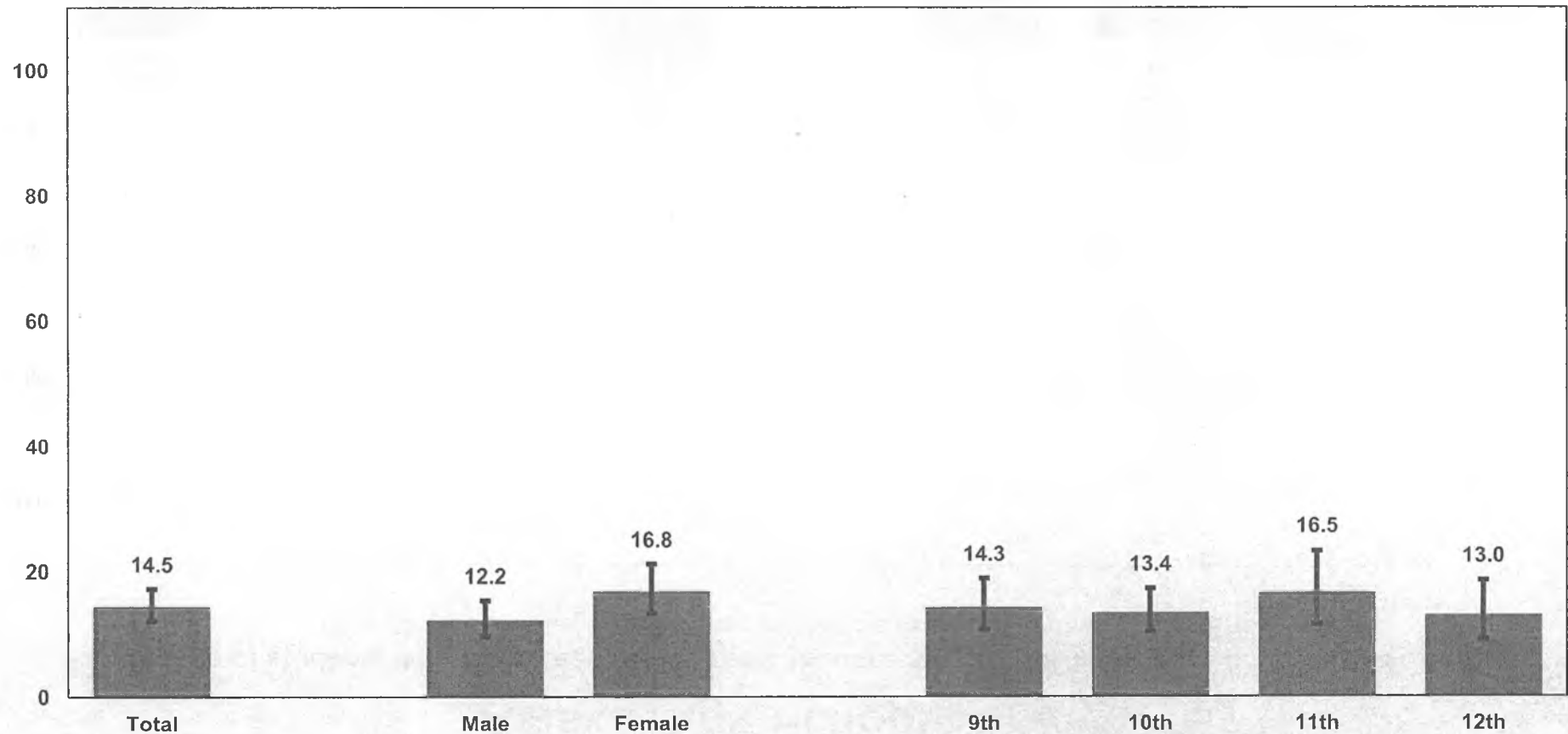
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who seriously considered attempting suicide during the past 12 months



Q25 - Weighted Data

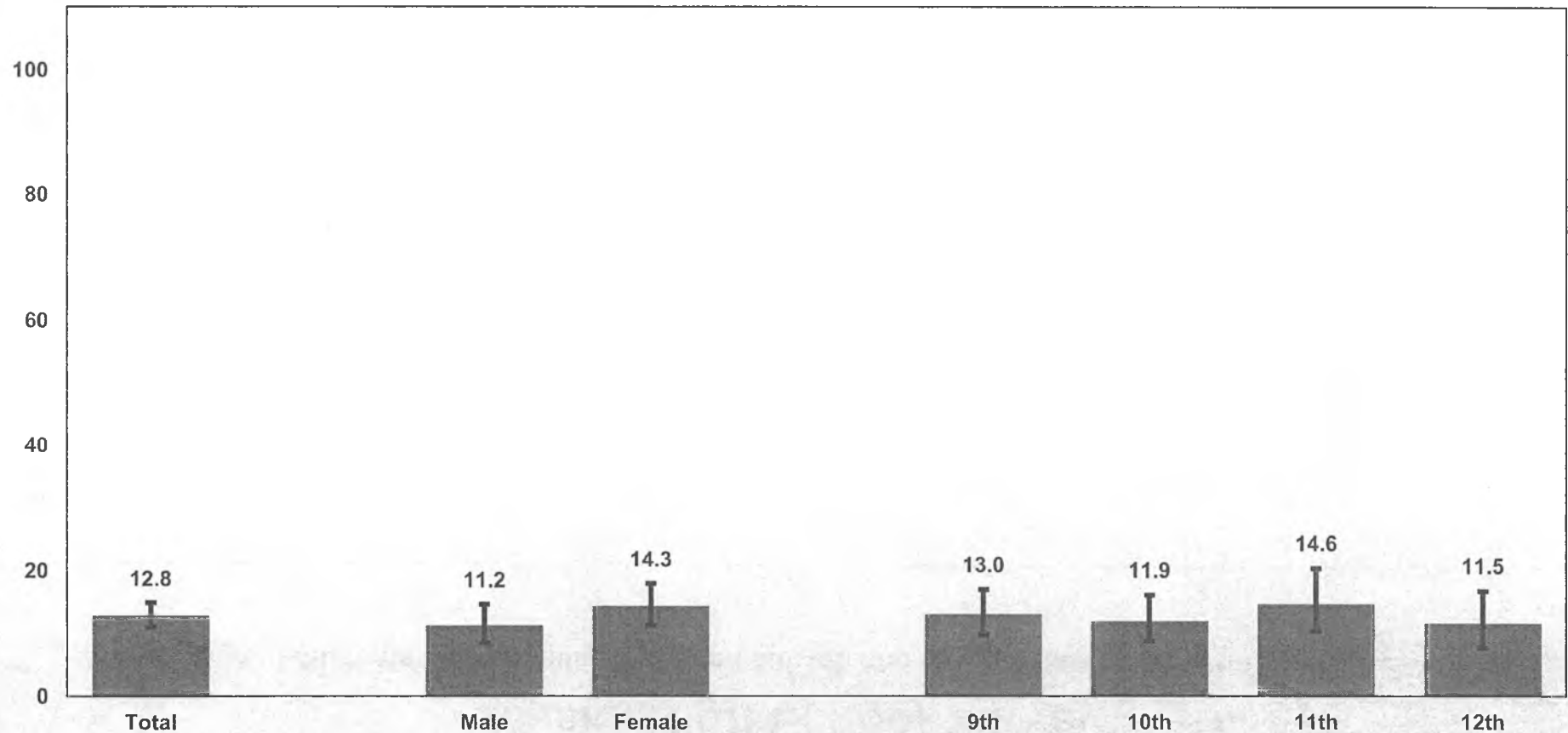
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who made a plan about how they would attempt suicide during the past 12 months



Q26 - Weighted Data

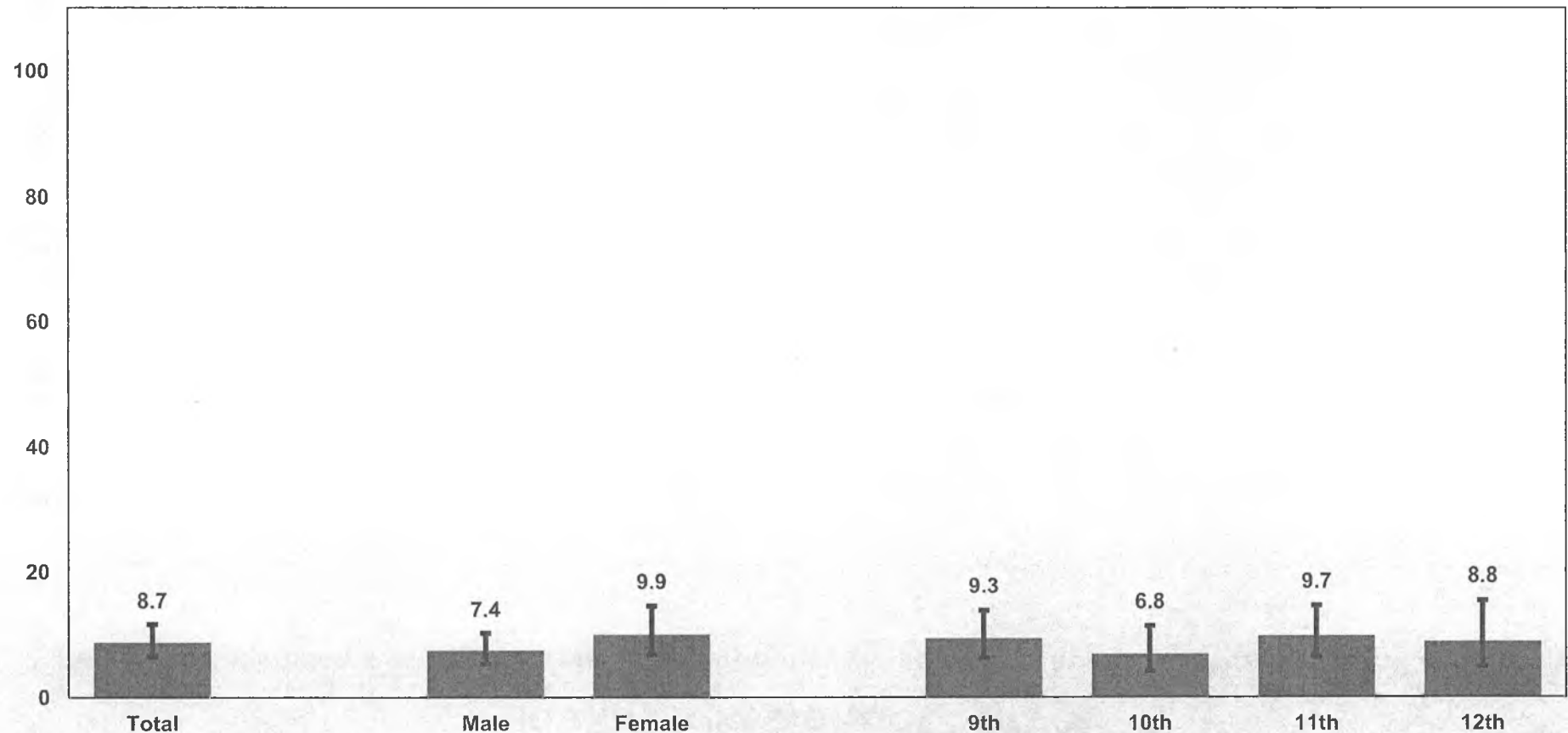
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who actually attempted suicide one or more times during the past 12 months



Q27 - Weighted Data

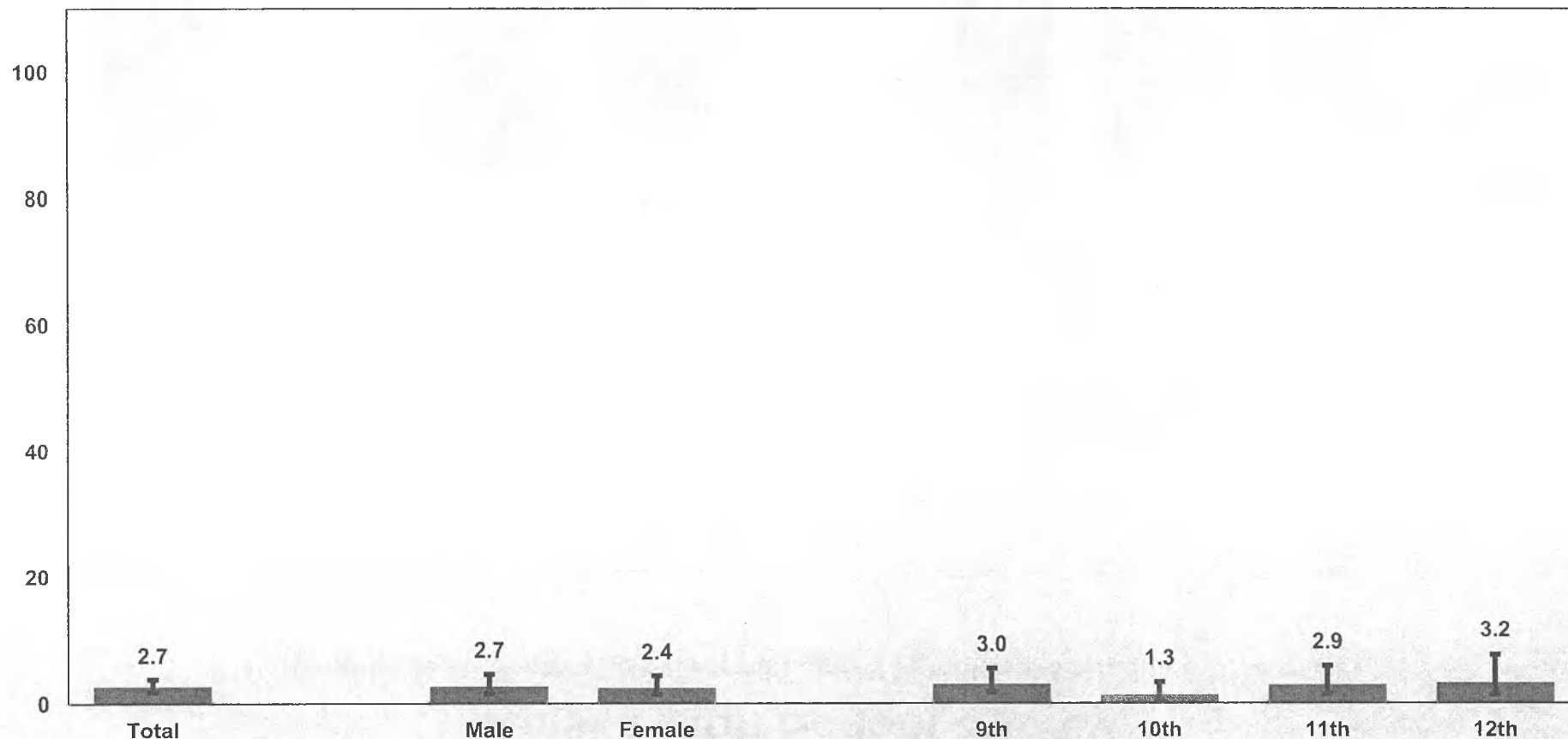
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who made a suicide attempt during the past 12 months that resulted in an injury, poisoning, or overdose that had to be treated by a doctor or nurse



Q28 - Weighted Data

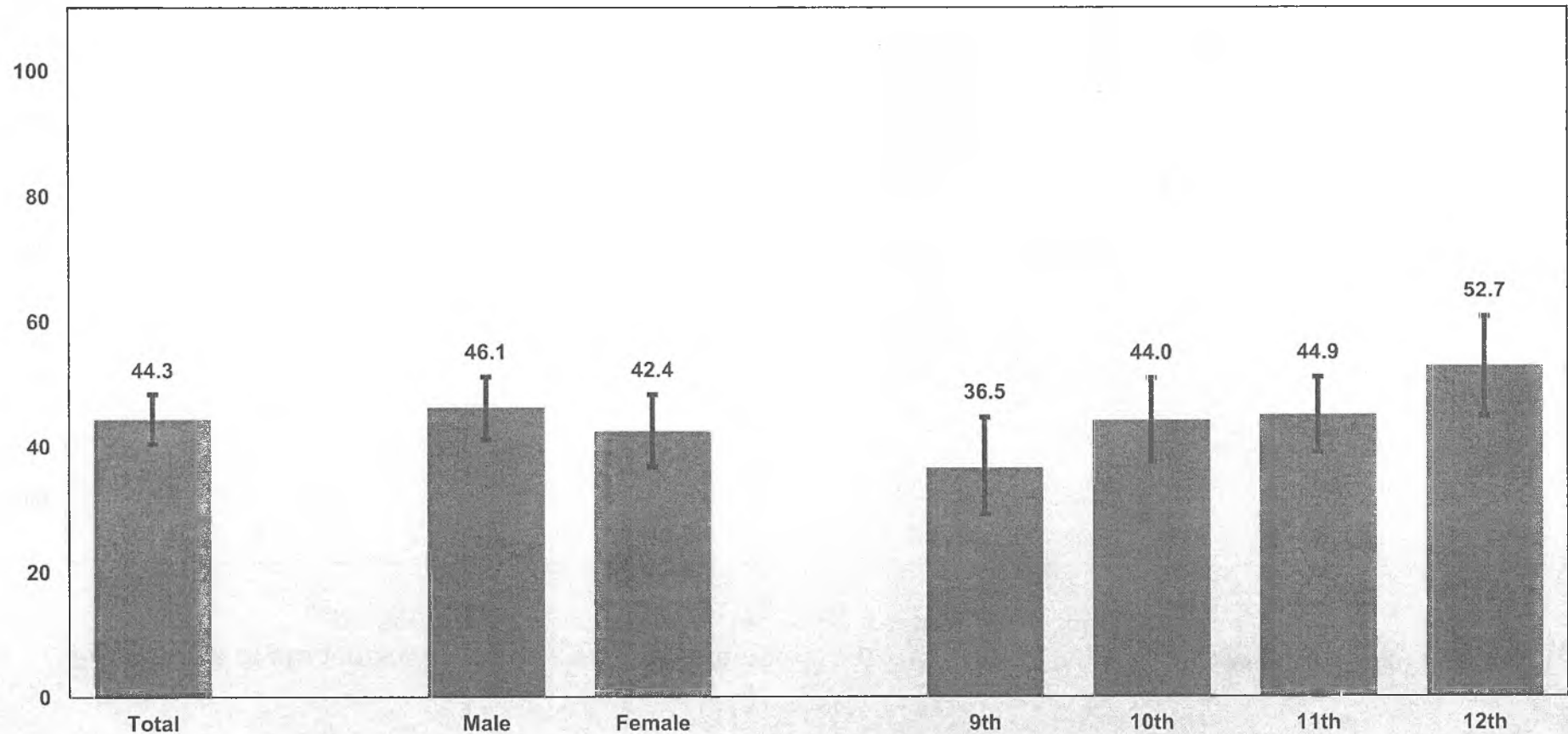
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who ever tried cigarette smoking, even one or two puffs



Q29 - Weighted Data

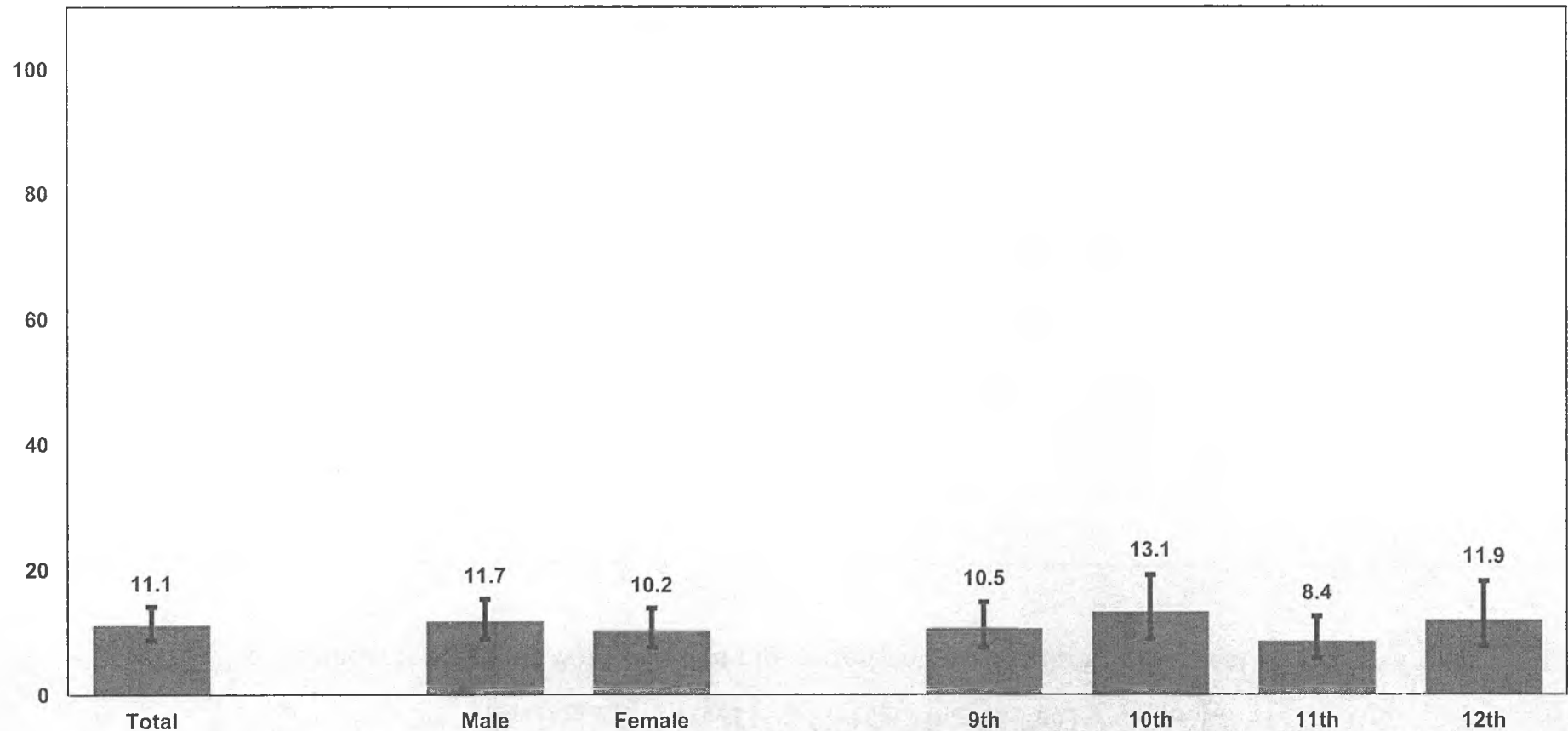
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who smoked a whole cigarette for the first time before age 13 years



Q30 - Weighted Data

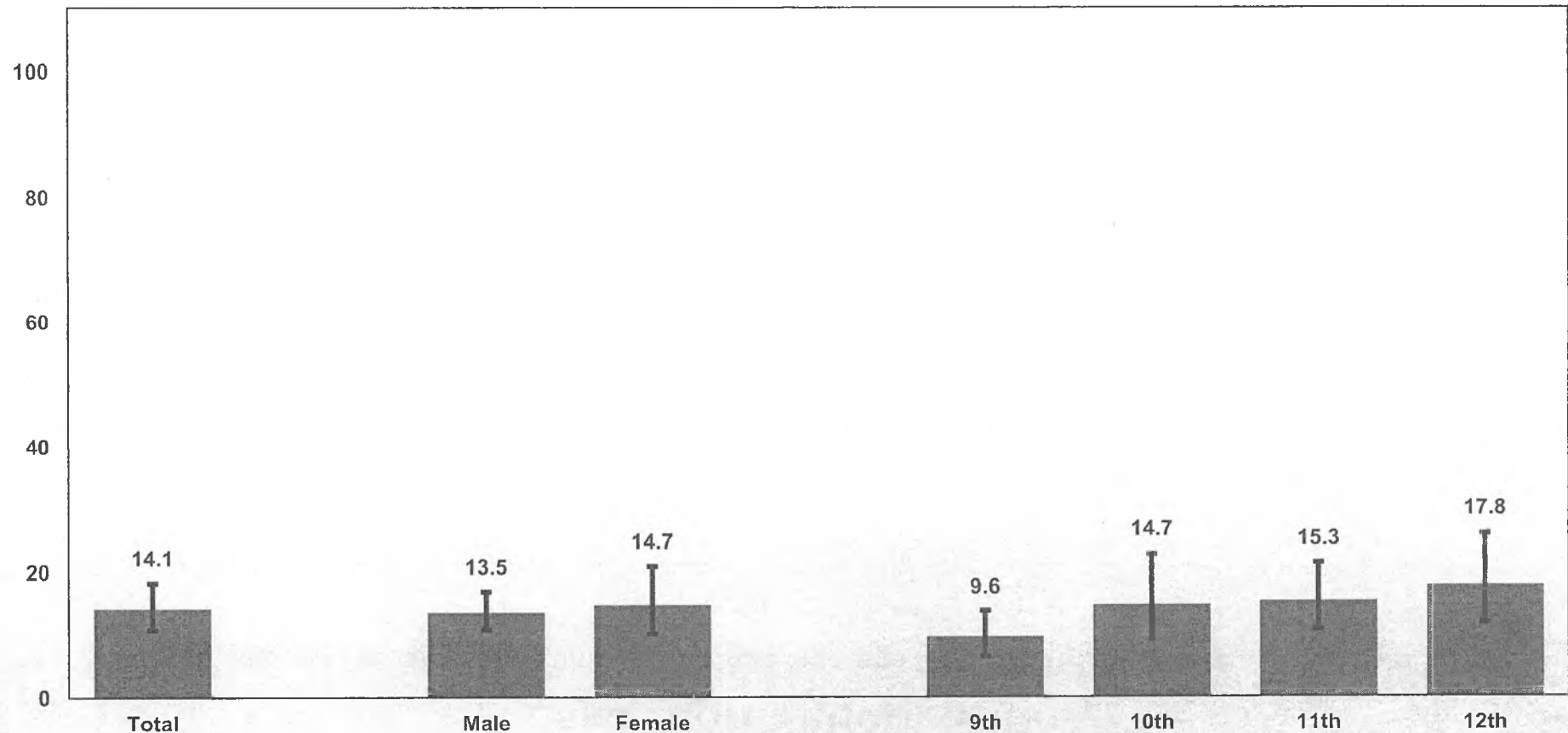
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who smoked cigarettes on one or more of the past 30 days



Q31 - Weighted Data

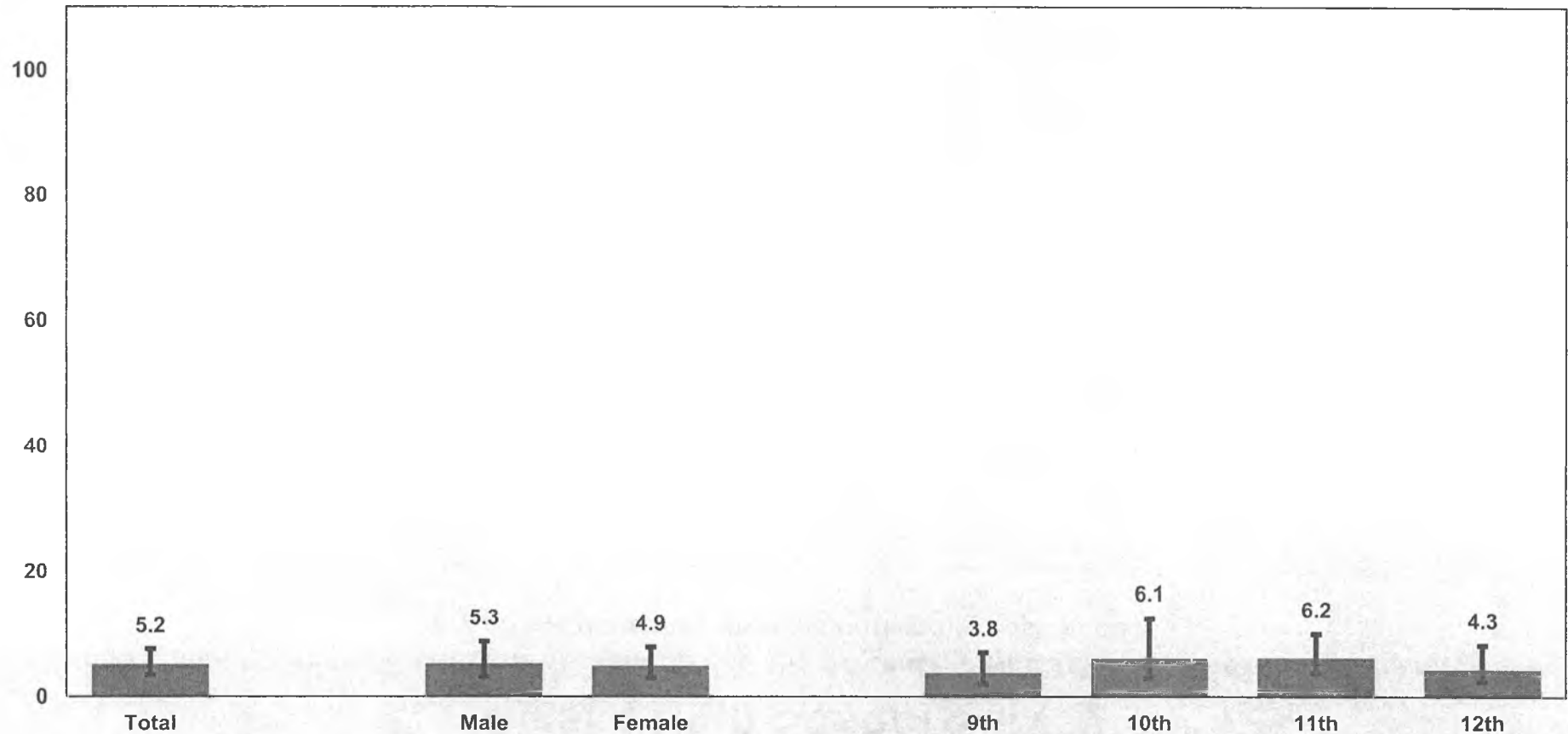
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who smoked cigarettes on 20 or more of the past 30 days



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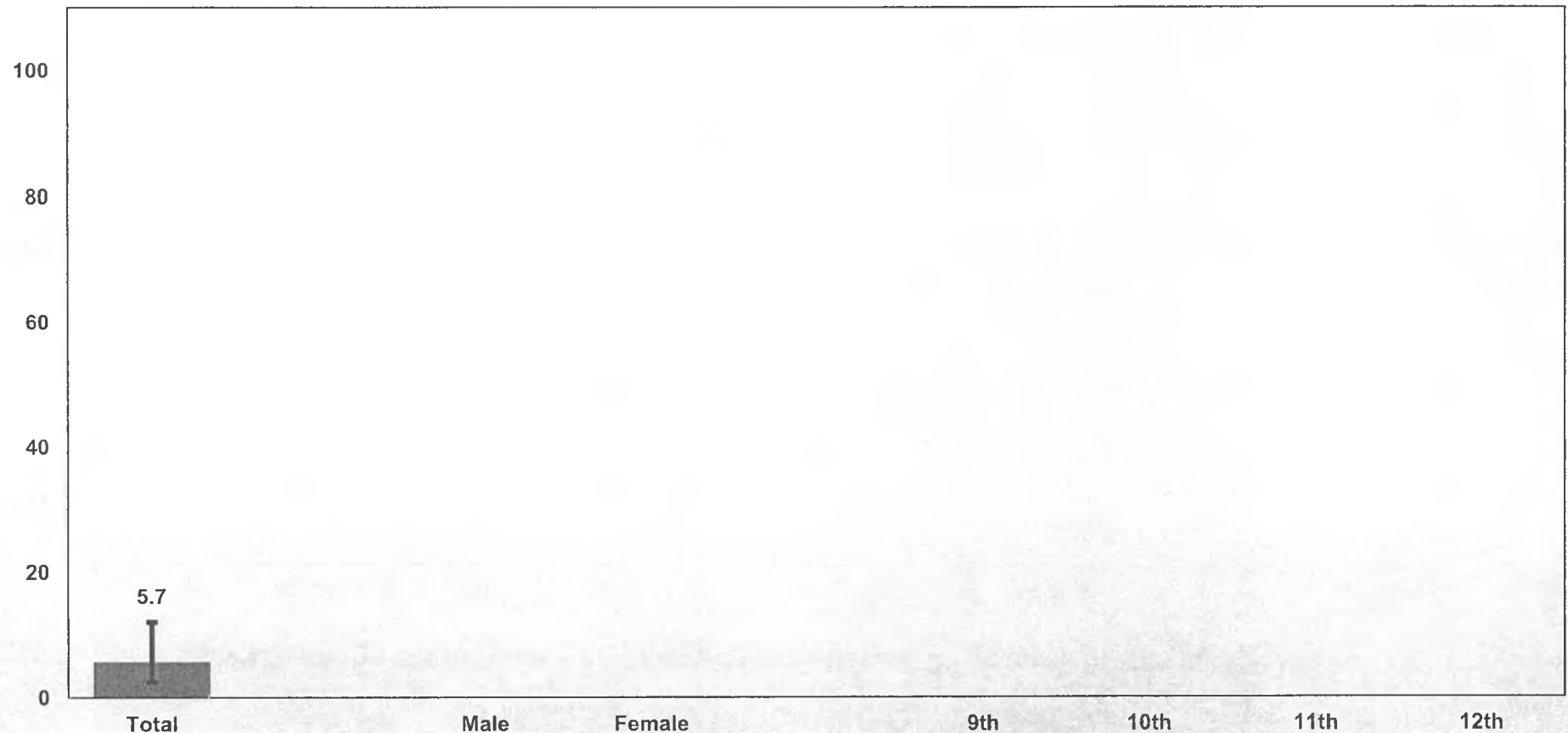
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Among students who reported current cigarette use, the percentage who smoked more than 10 cigarettes per day on the days they smoked during the past 30 days



Q32 - Weighted Data

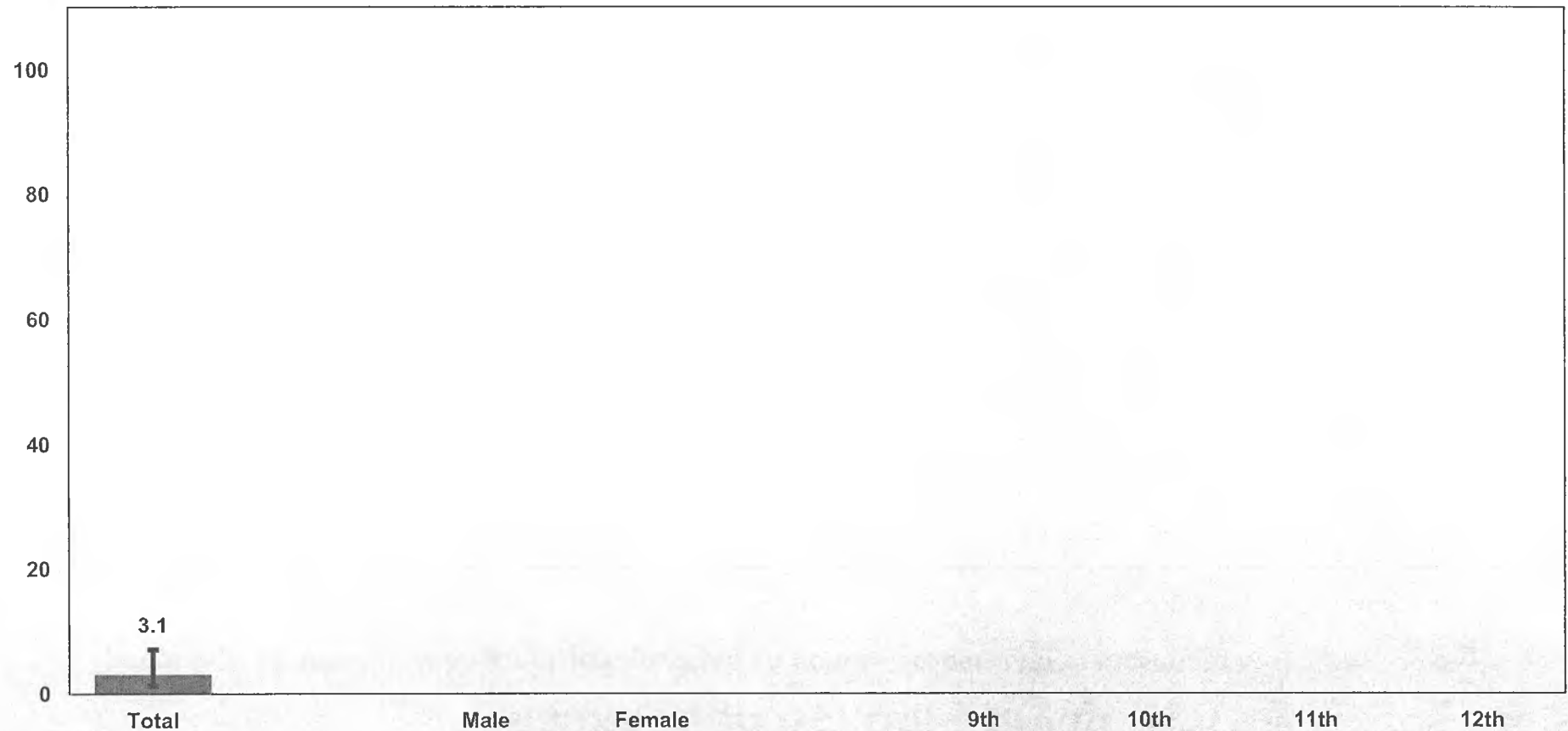
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Among students who were less than 18 years of age and who reported current cigarette use, the percentage who usually got their own cigarettes by buying them in a store or gas station during the past 30 days



Q33 - Weighted Data

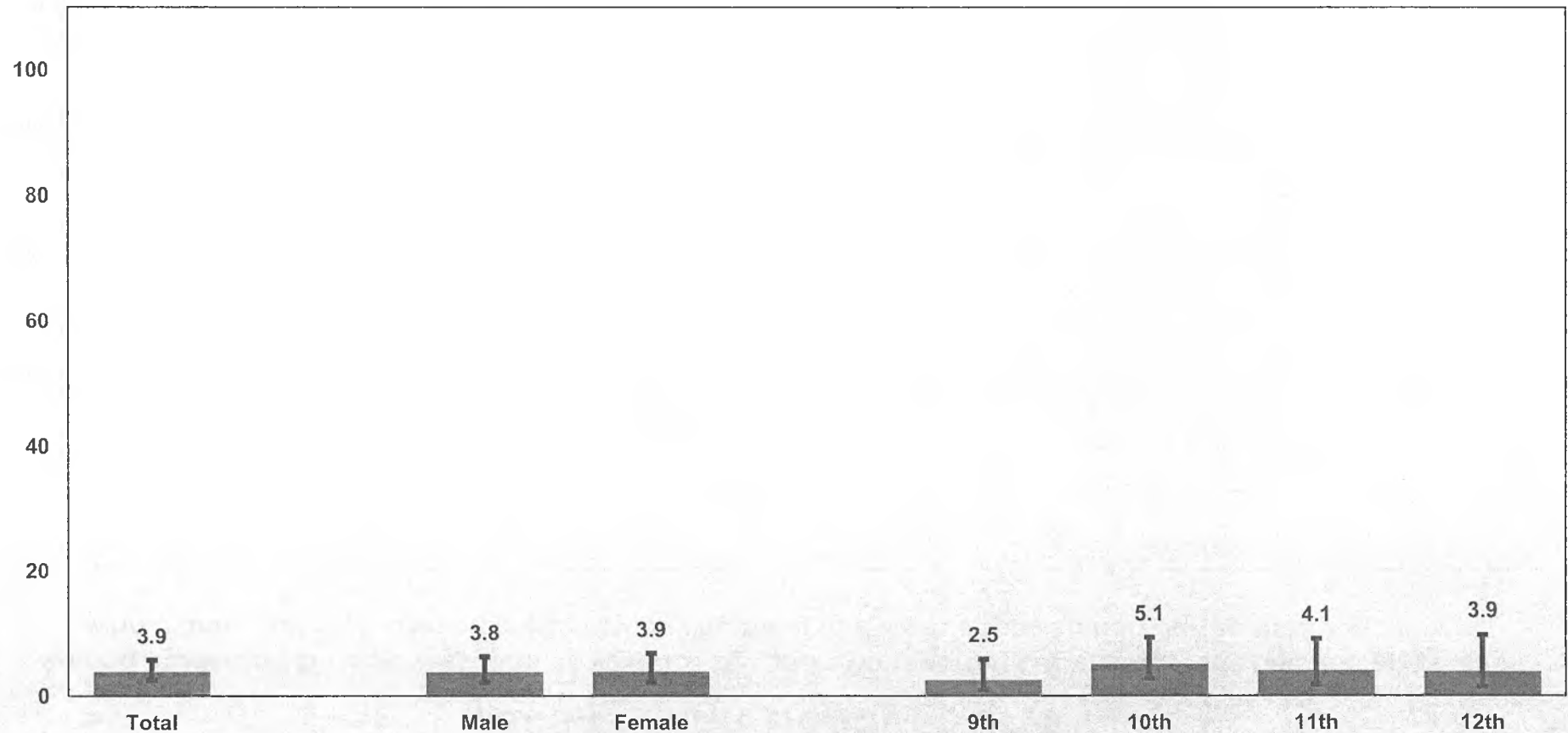
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who smoked cigarettes on school property on one or more of the past 30 days



Q34 - Weighted Data

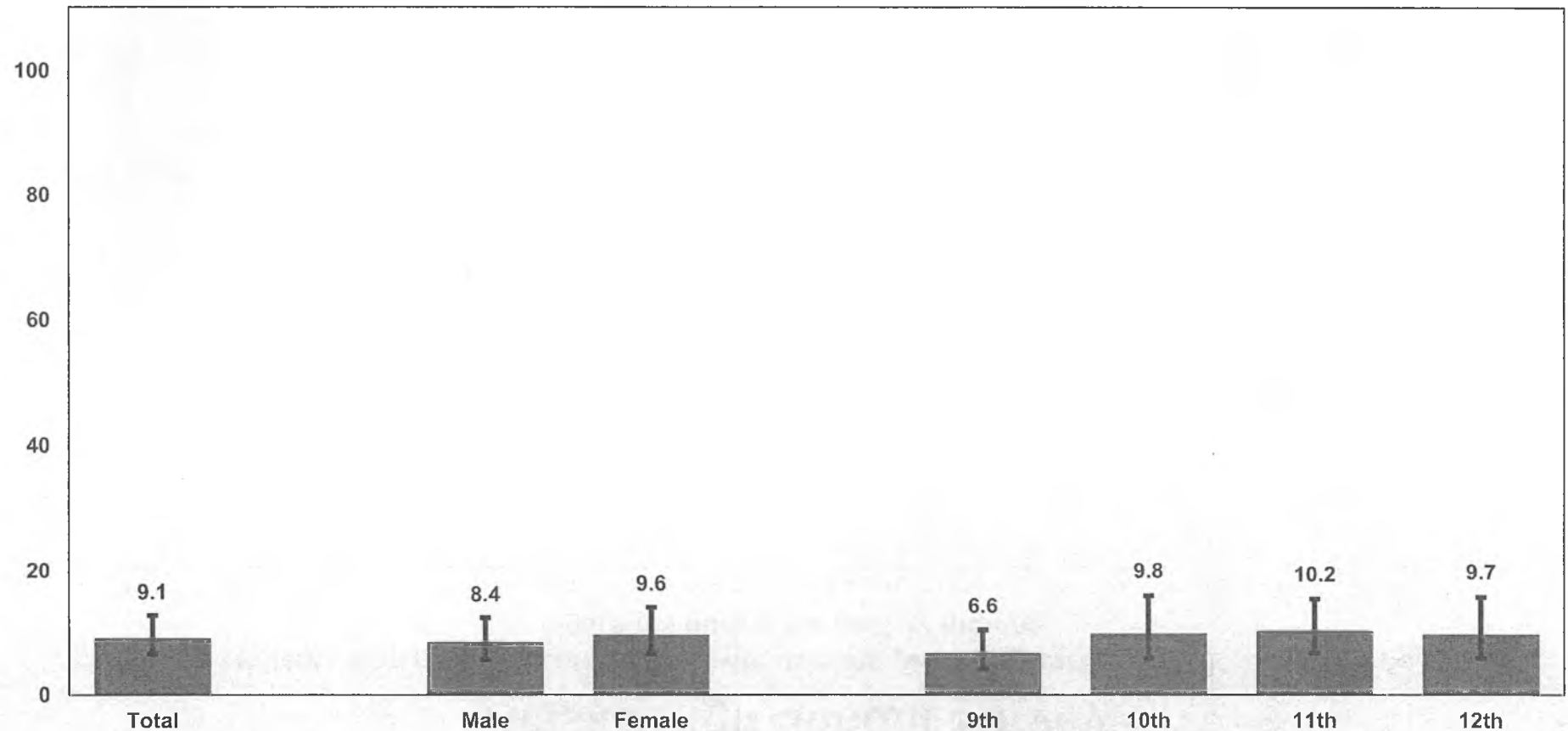
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who ever smoked cigarettes daily, that is, at least one cigarette every day for 30 days



Q35 - Weighted Data

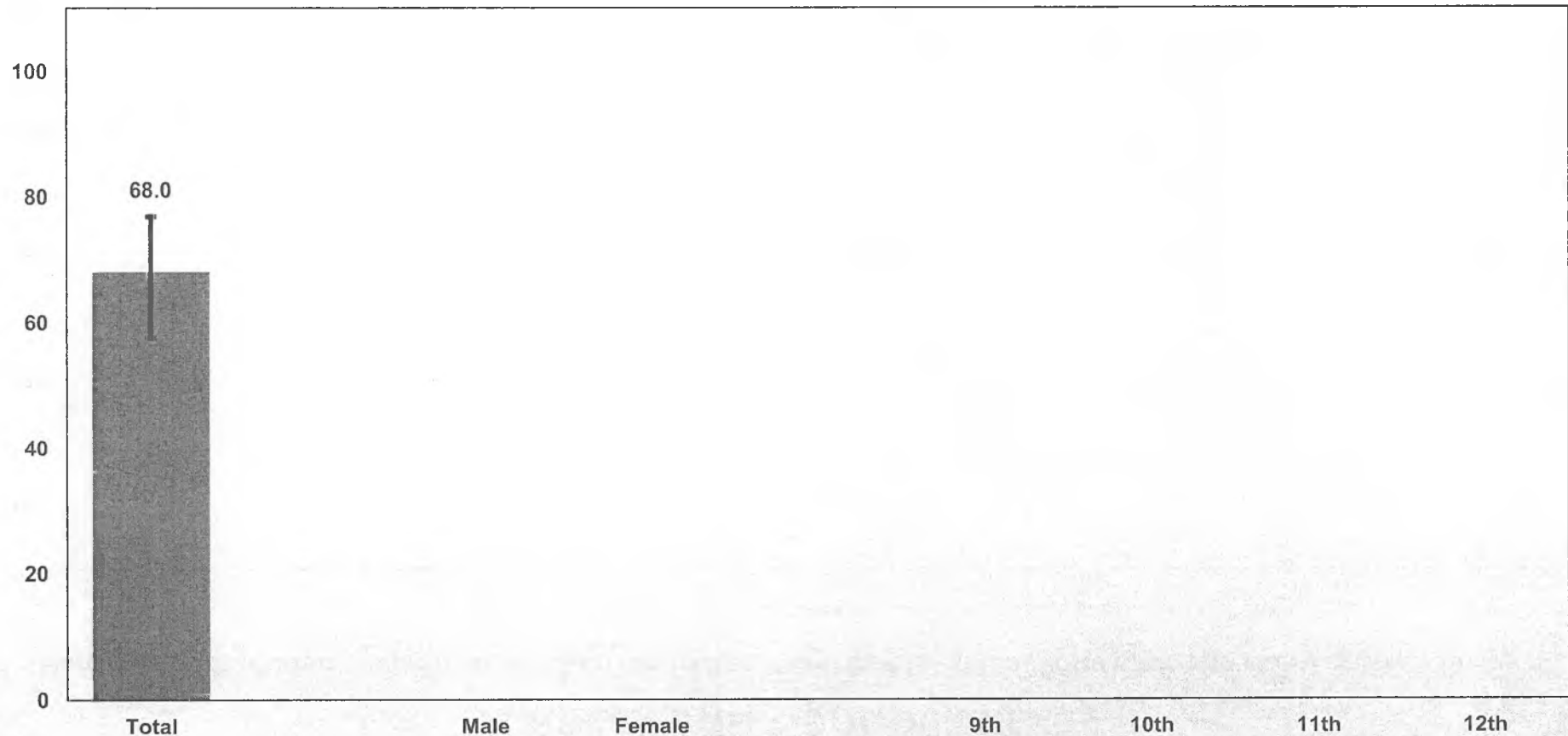
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Among students who reported current cigarette use, the percentage who ever tried to quit smoking cigarettes during the past 12 months



Q36 - Weighted Data

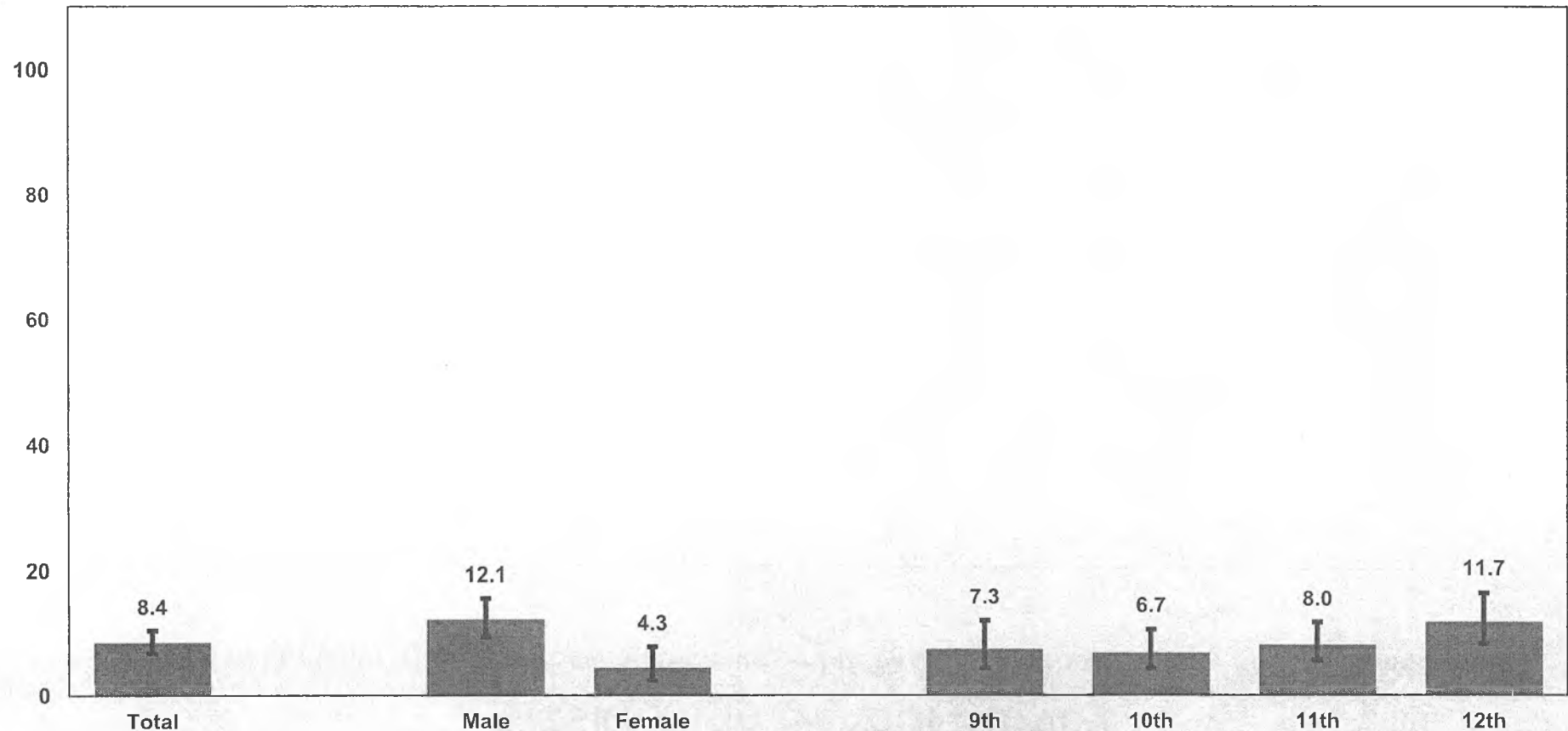
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who used chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip on one or more of the past 30 days



Q37 - Weighted Data

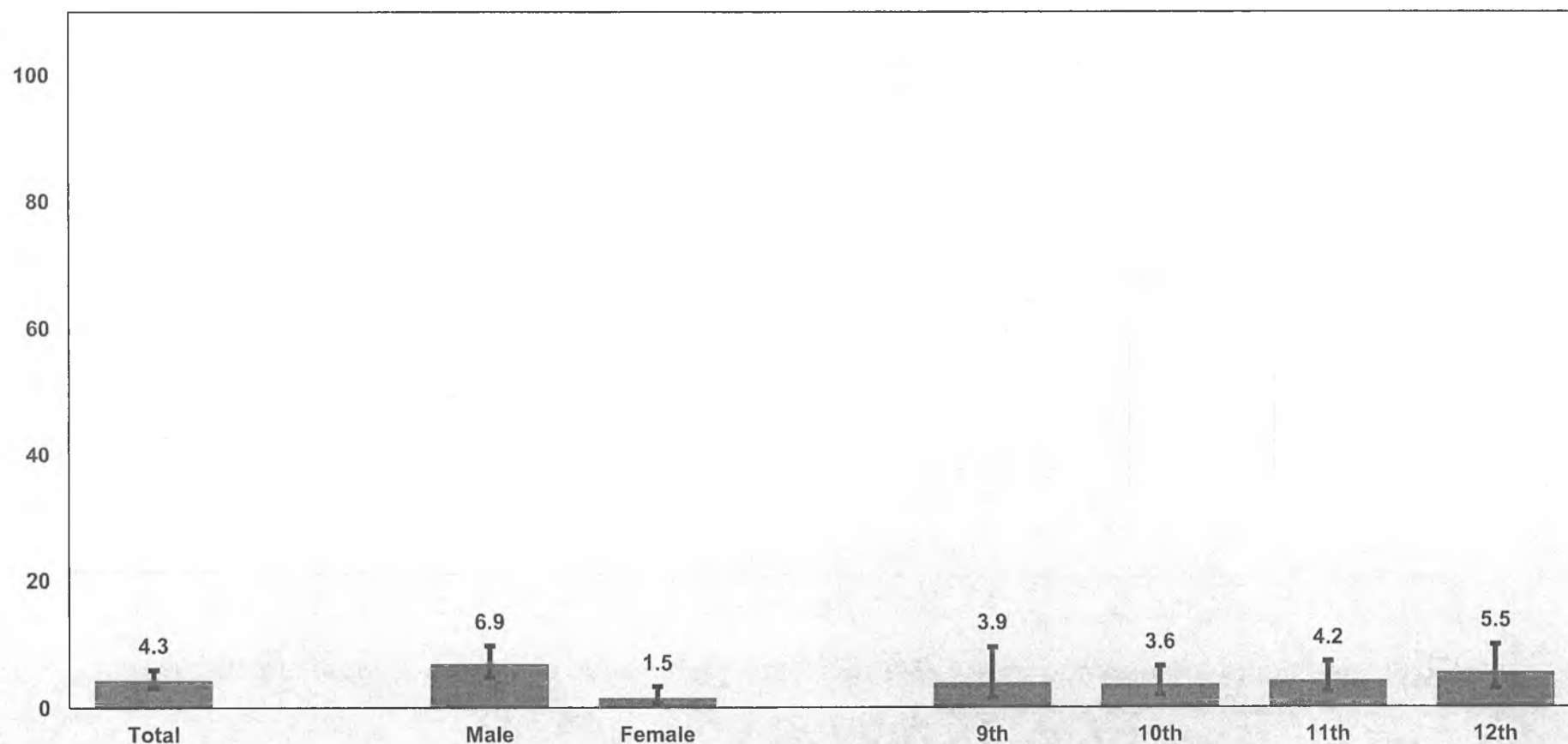
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who used chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip on school property on one or more of the past 30 days



Q38 - Weighted Data

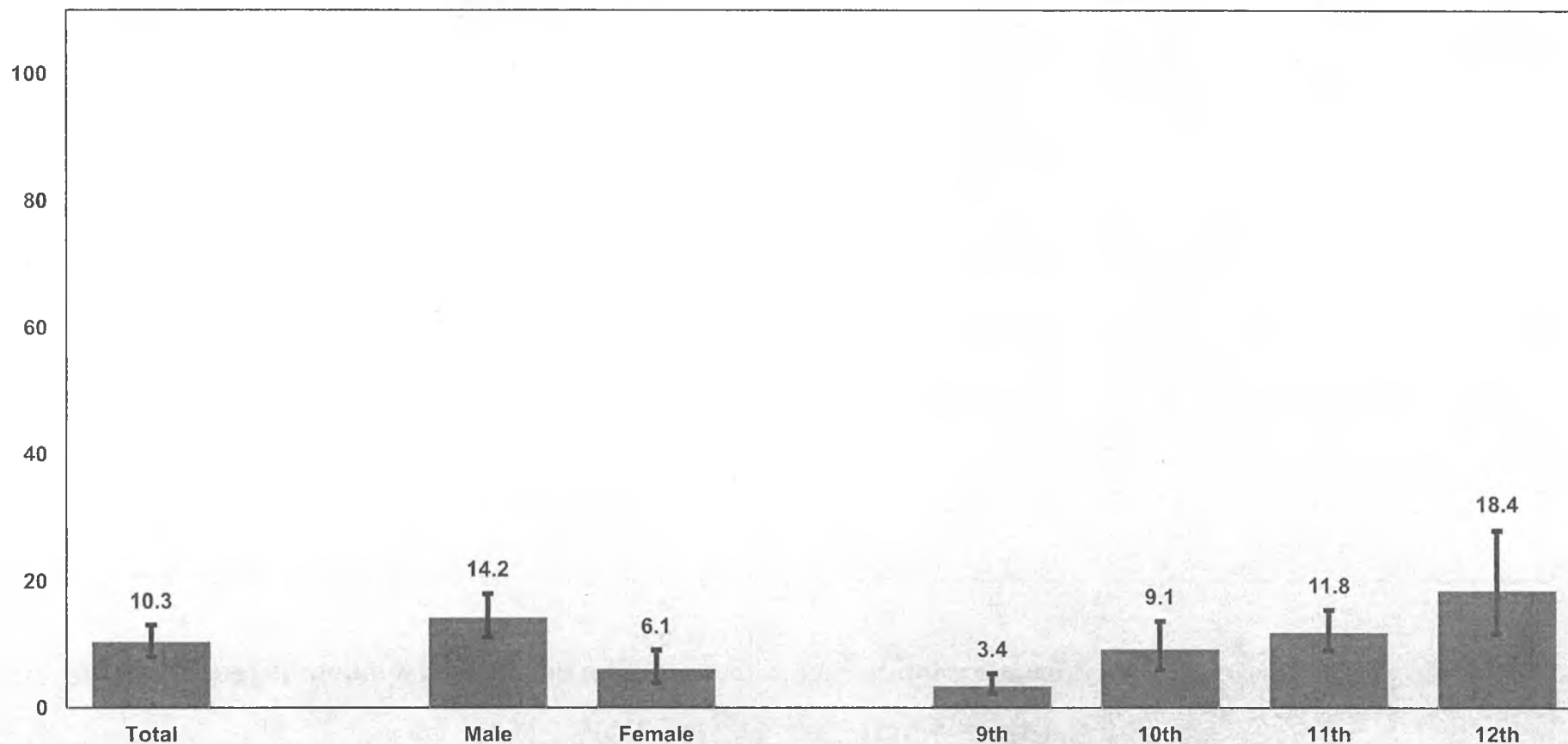
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who smoked cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars on one or more of the past 30 days



Q39 - Weighted Data

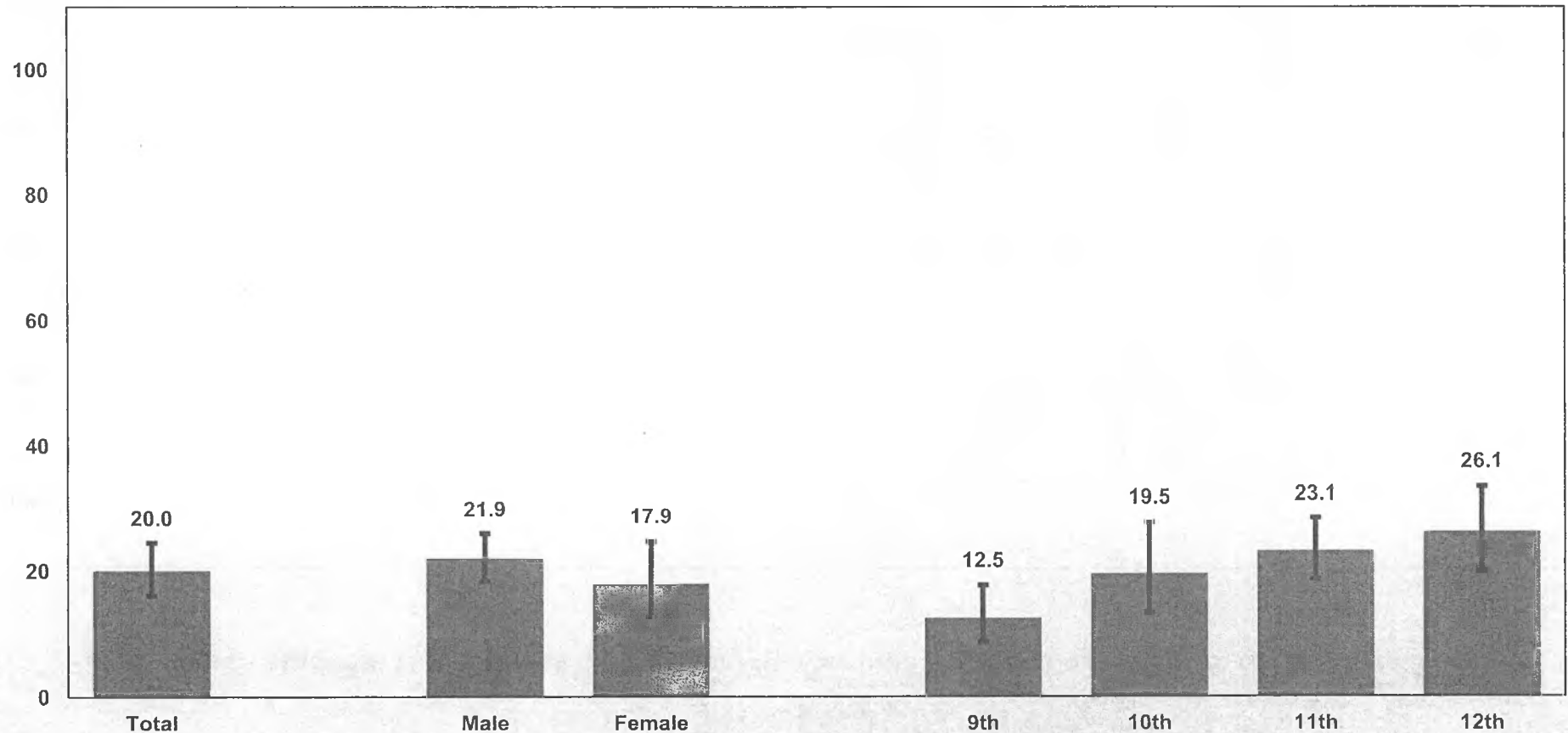
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who smoked cigarettes or cigars or used chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip on one or more of the past 30 days



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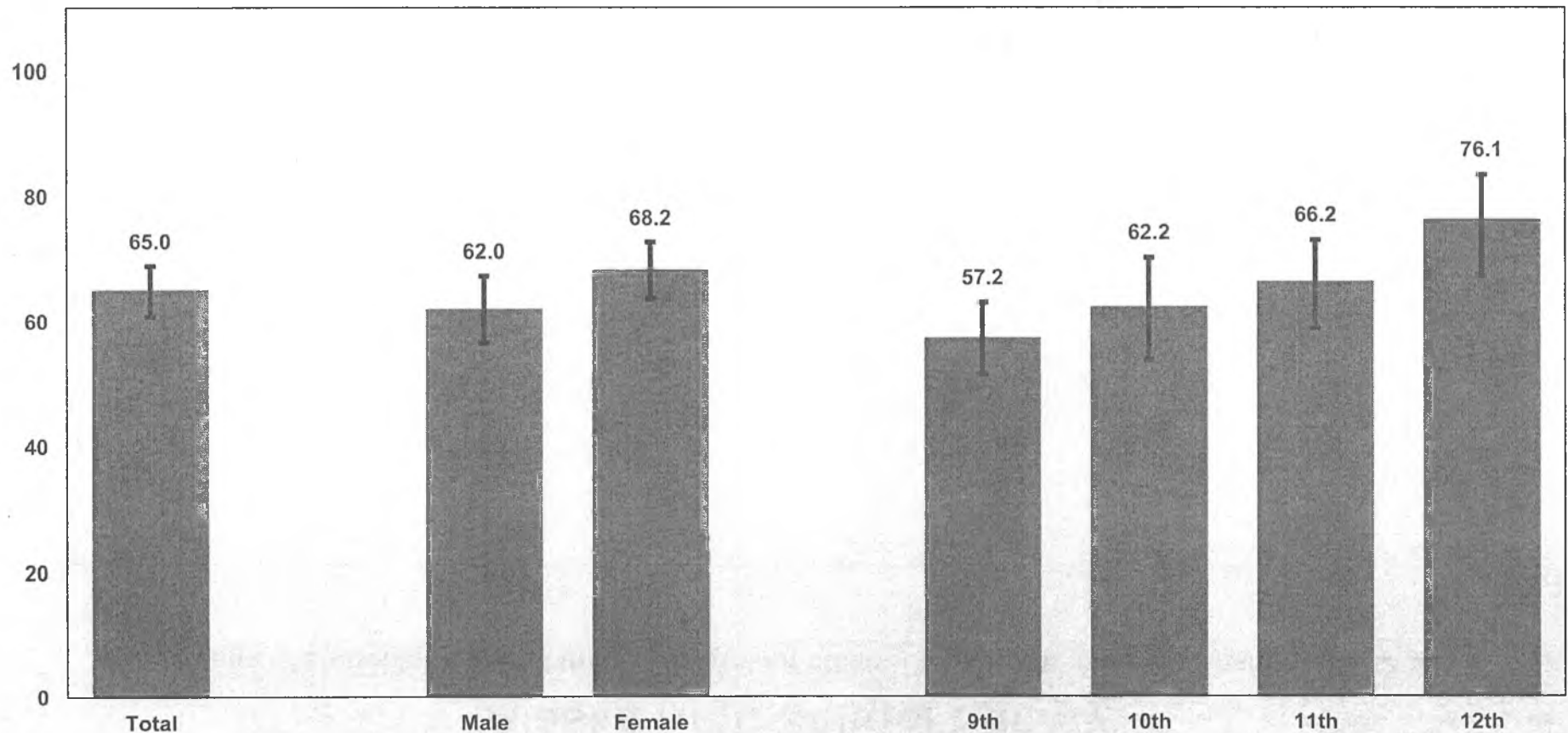
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who had at least one drink of alcohol on one or more days during their life



Q40 - Weighted Data

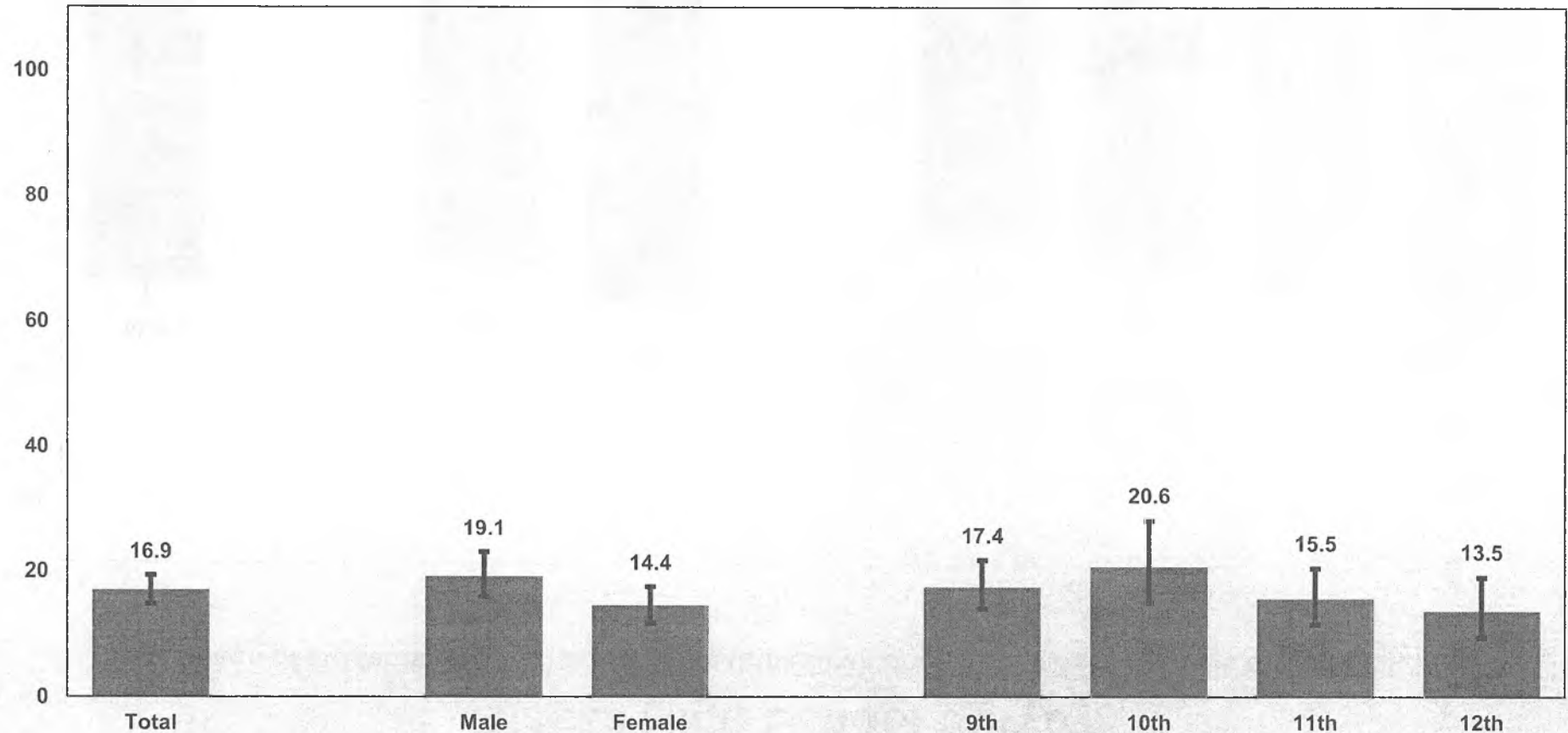
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who had their first drink of alcohol other than a few sips before age 13 years



Q41 - Weighted Data

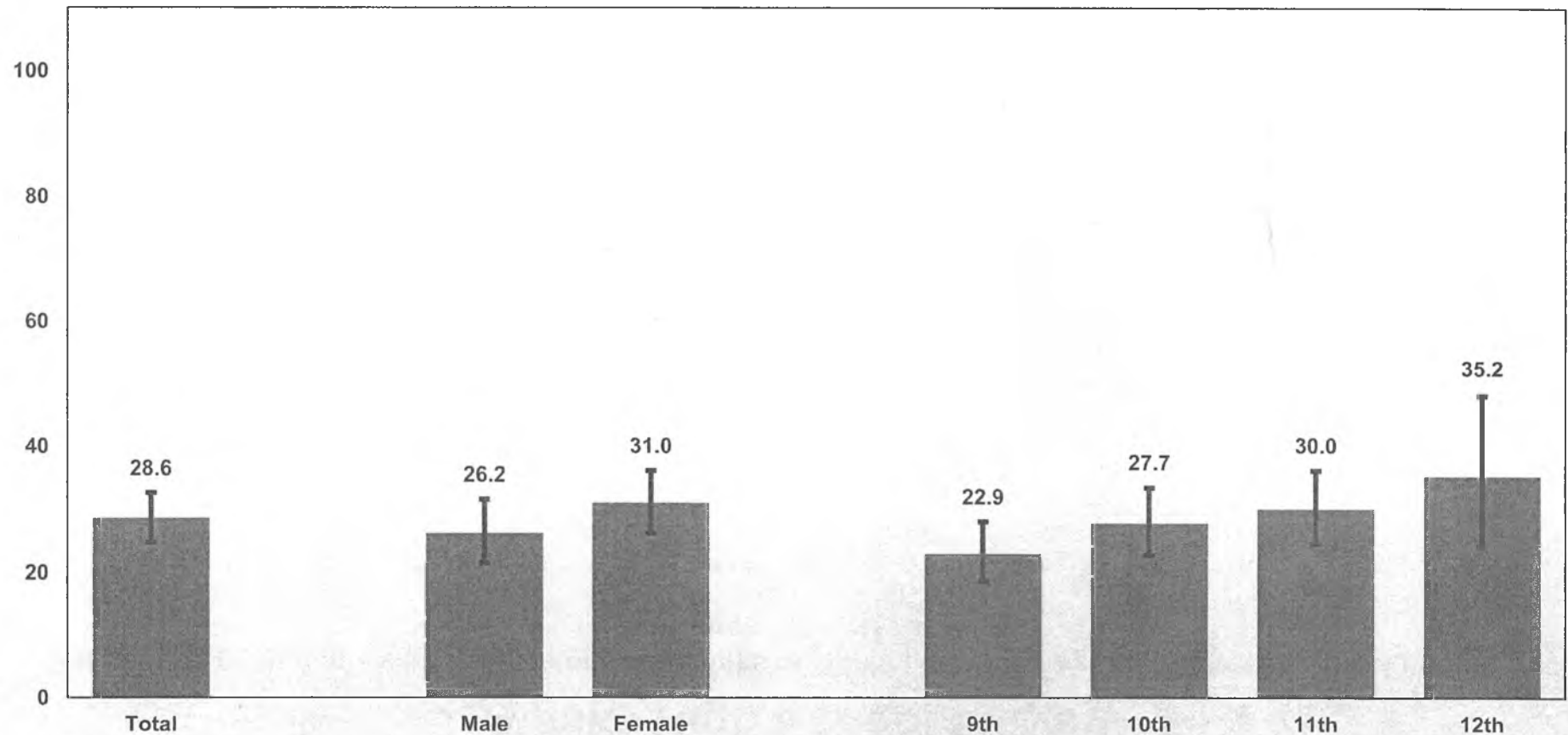
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who had at least one drink of alcohol on one or more of the past 30 days



Q42 - Weighted Data

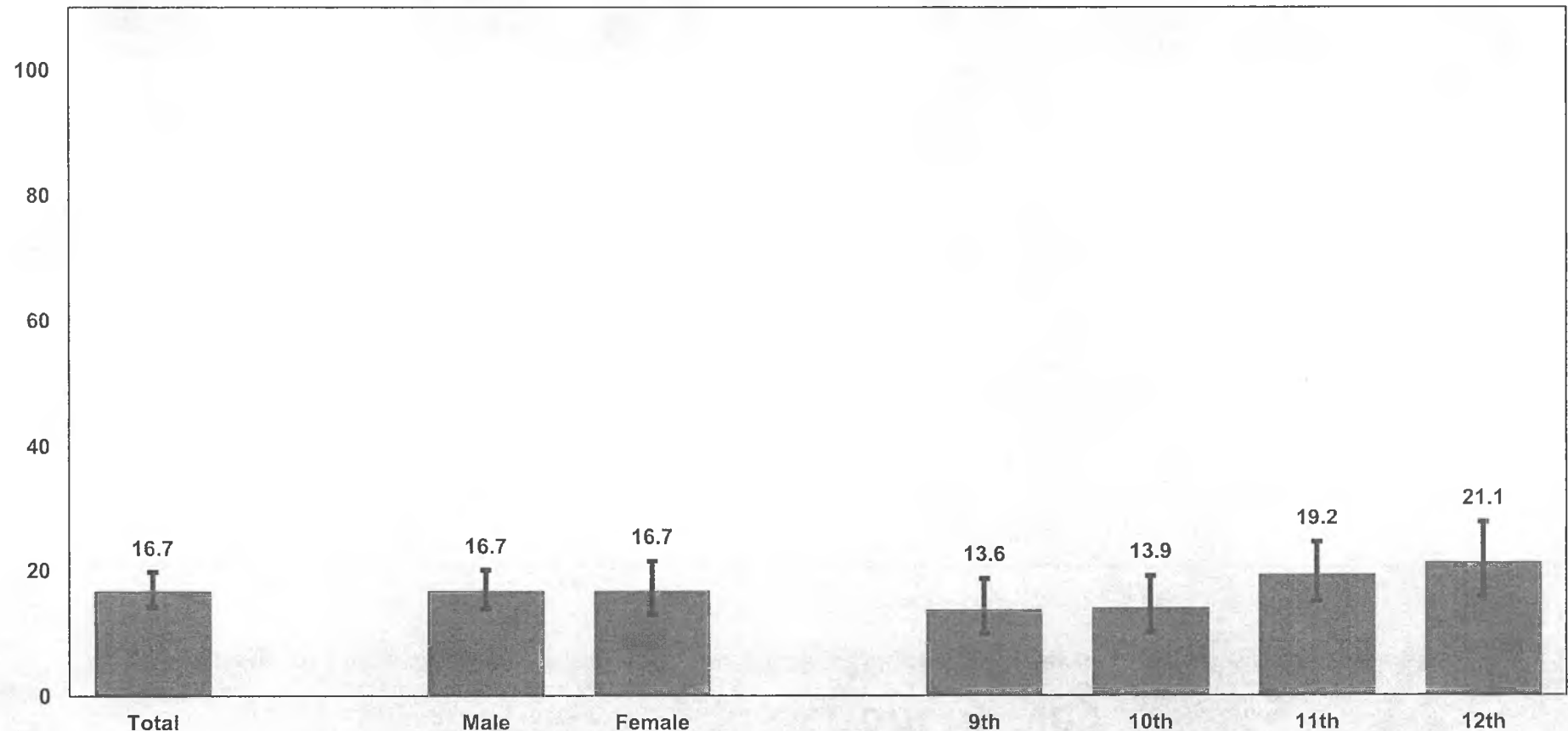
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who had five or more drinks of alcohol in a row, that is, within a couple of hours, on one or more of the past 30 days



Q43 - Weighted Data

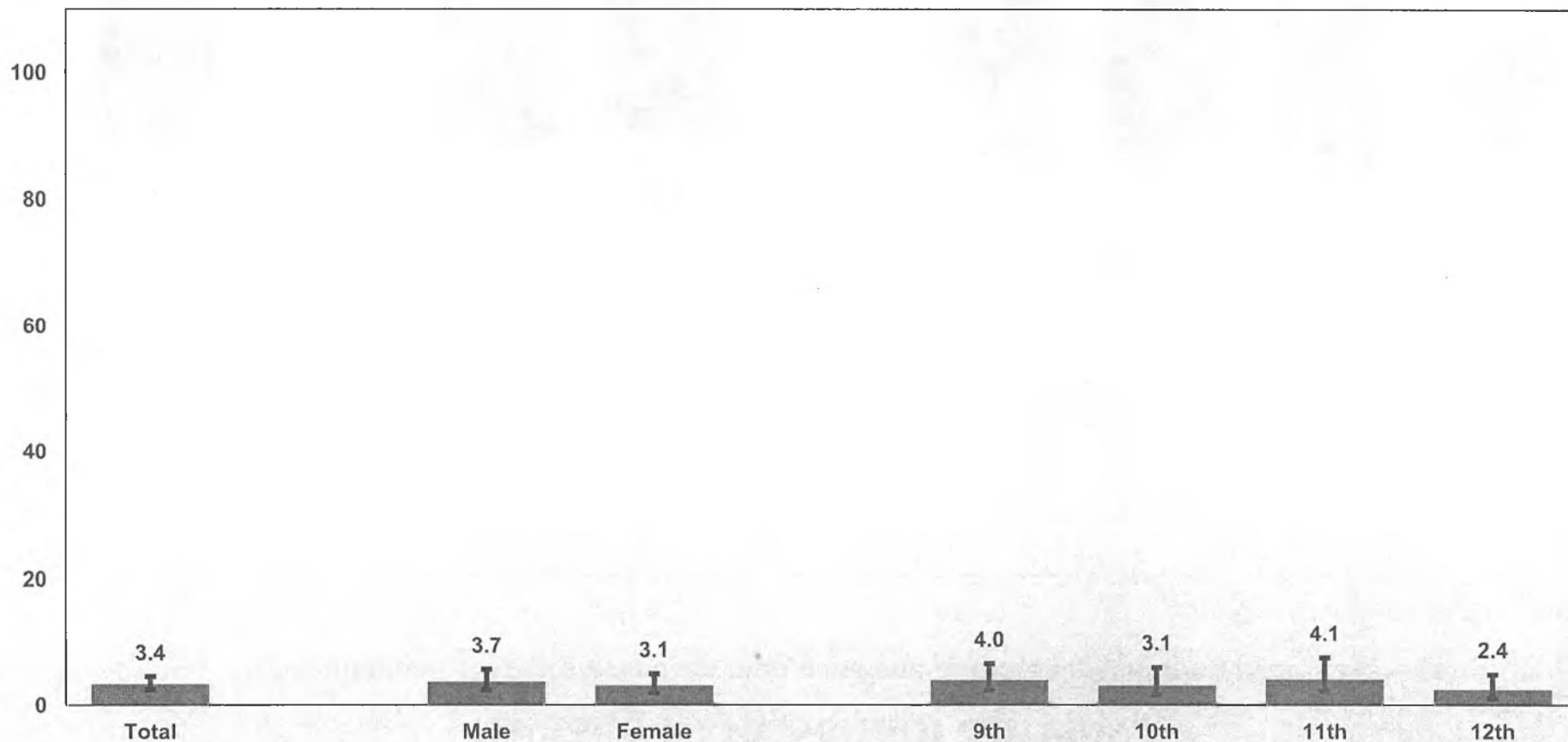
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who had at least one drink of alcohol on school property on one or more of the past 30 days



Q45 - Weighted Data

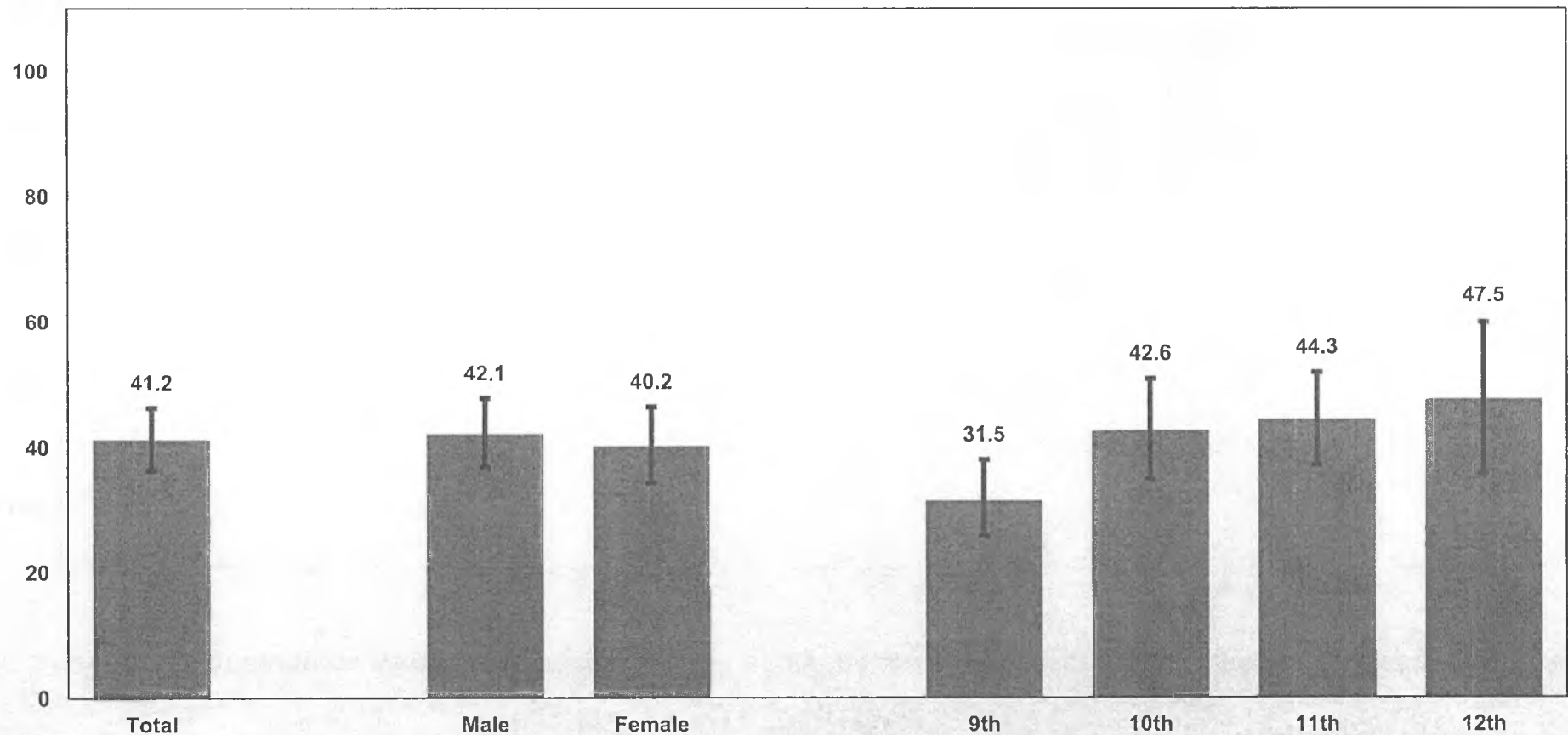
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who used marijuana one or more times during their life



Q46 - Weighted Data

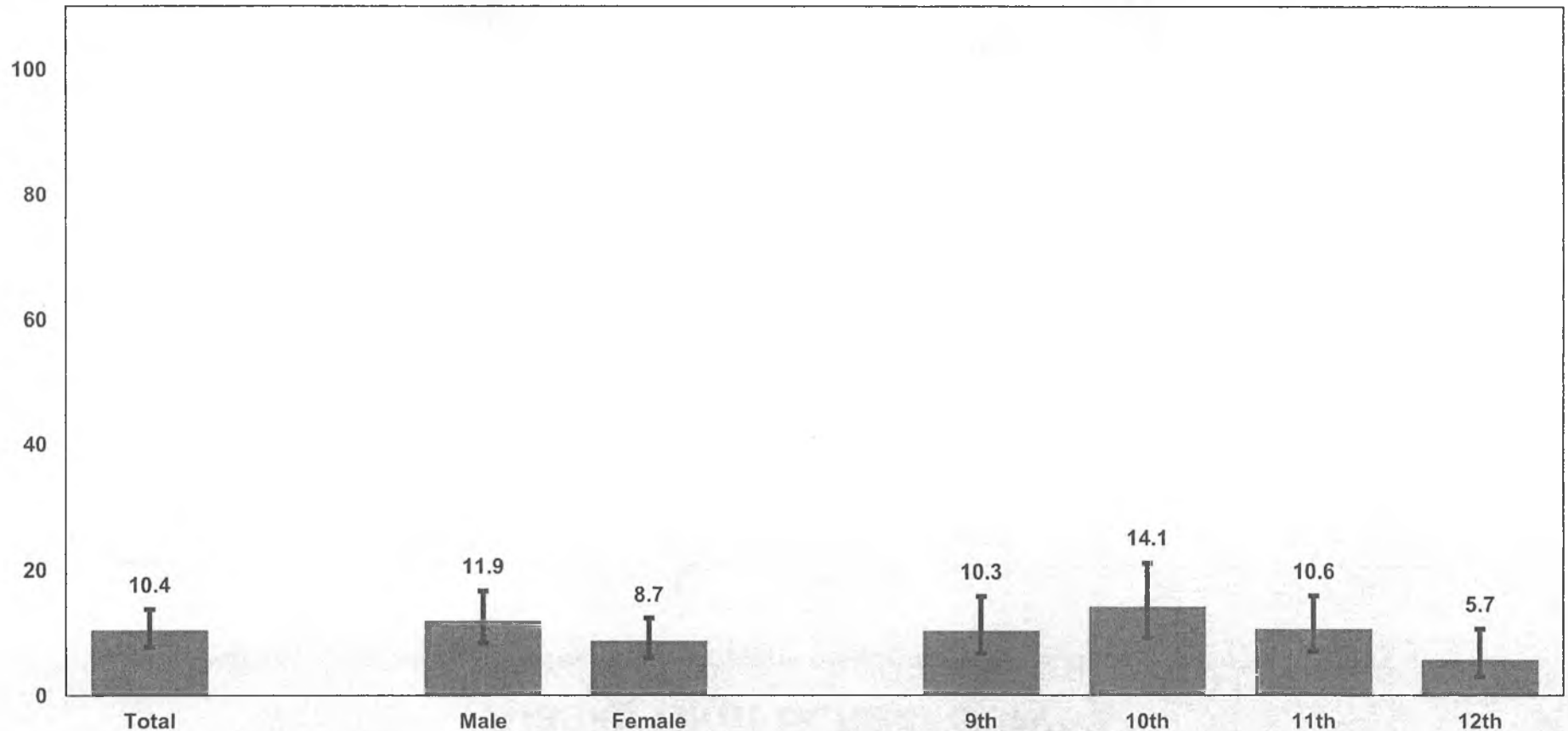
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who tried marijuana for the first time before age 13 years



Q47 - Weighted Data

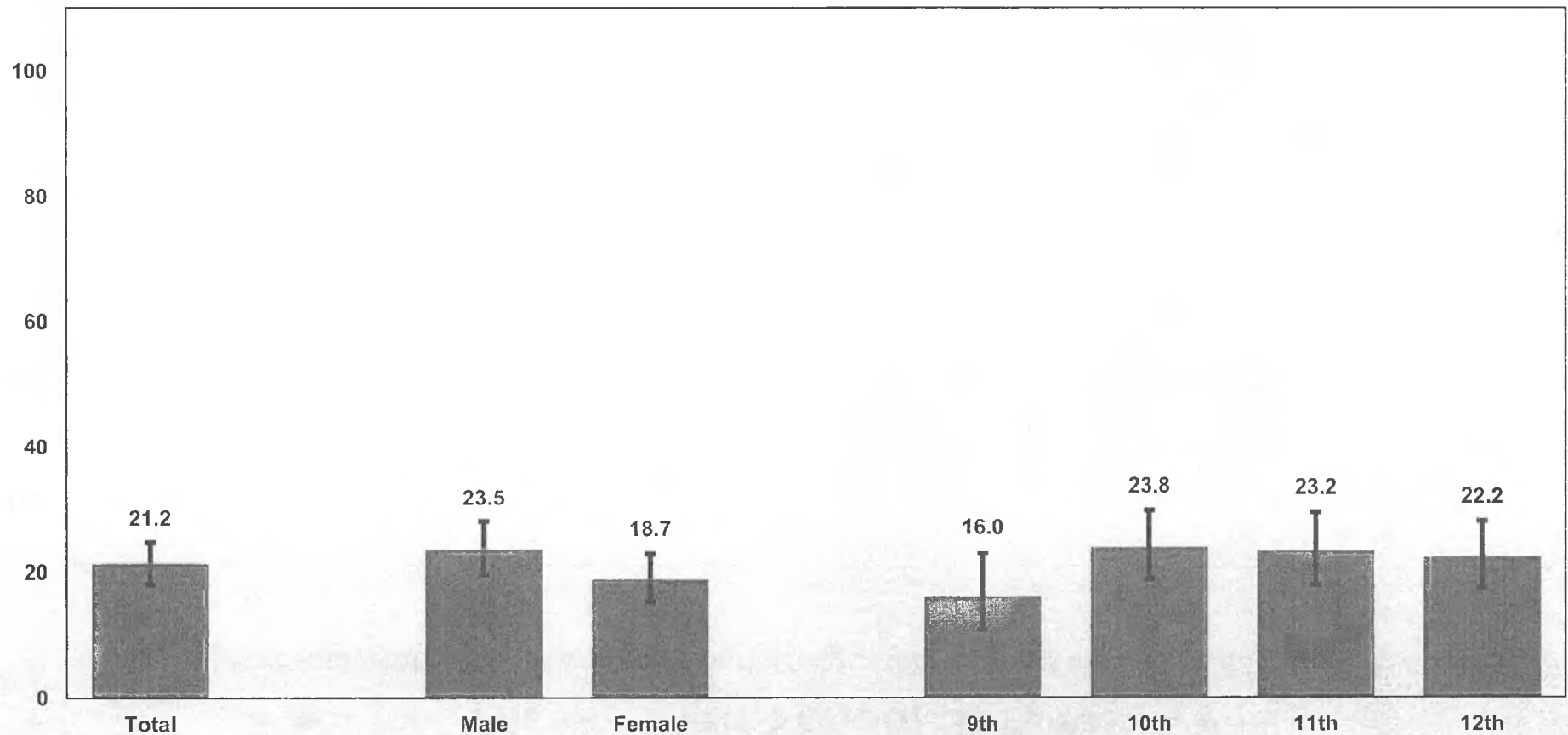
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who used marijuana one or more times during the past 30 days



Q48 - Weighted Data

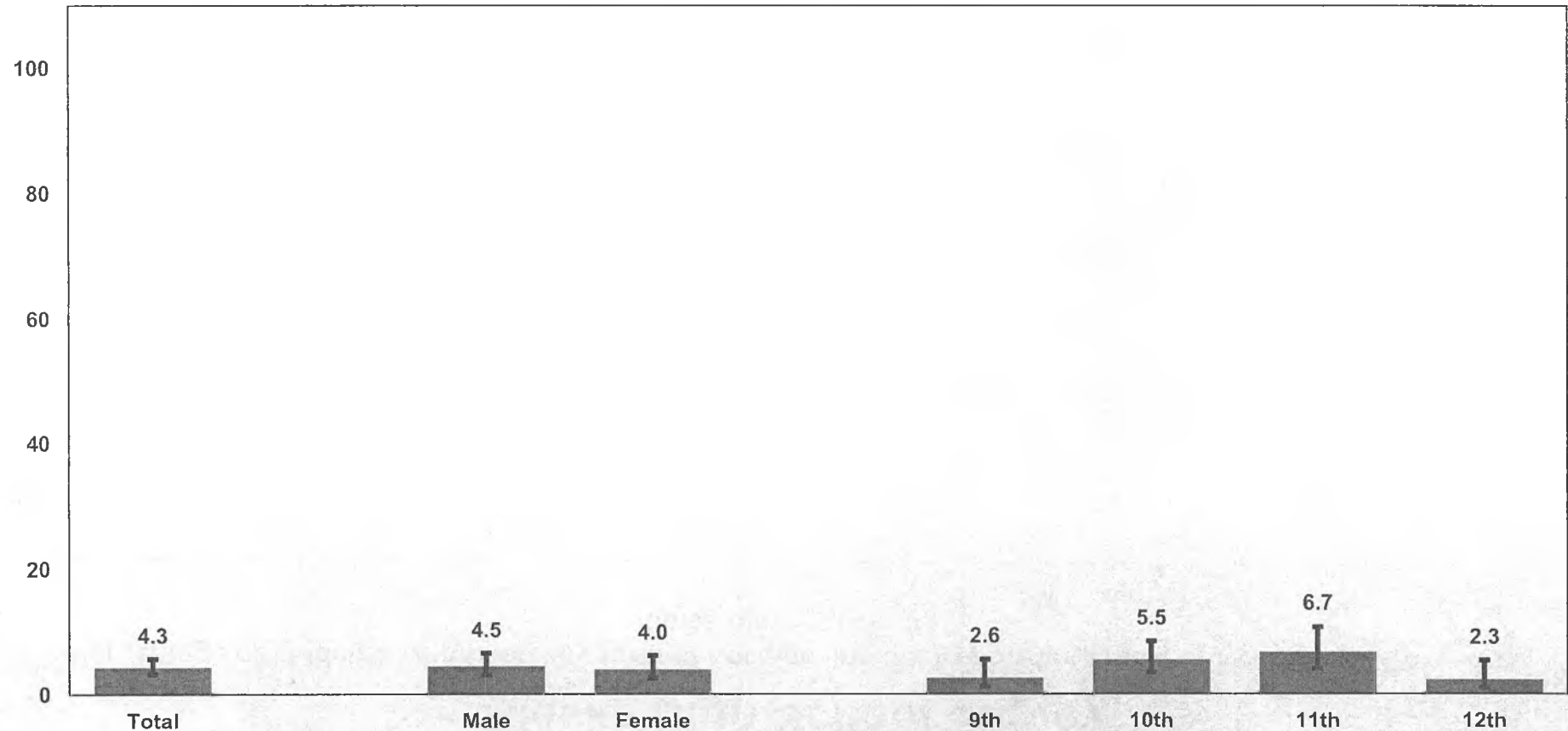
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who used marijuana on school property one or more times during the past 30 days



Q49 - Weighted Data

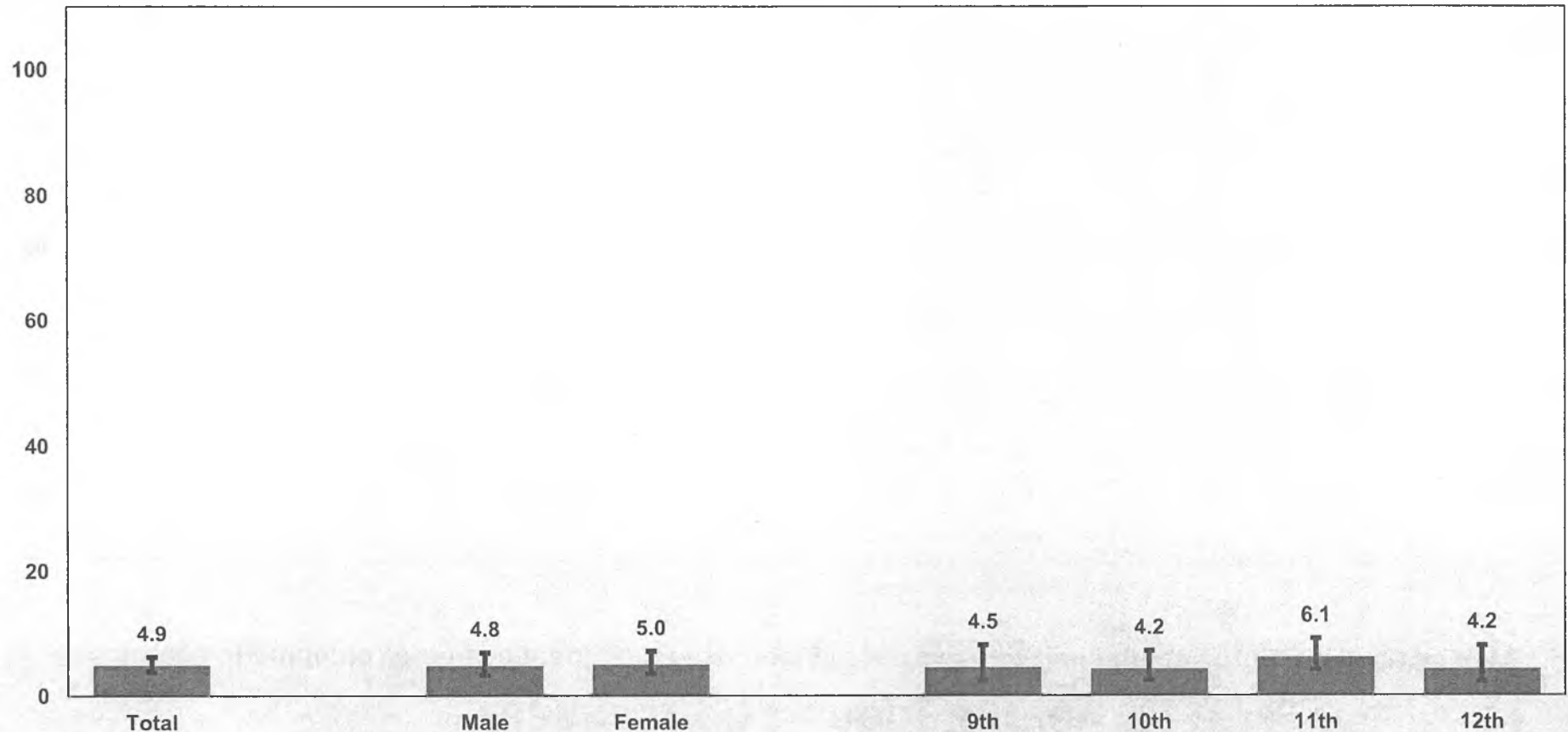
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who used any form of cocaine, including powder, crack, or freebase one or more times during their life



Q50 - Weighted Data

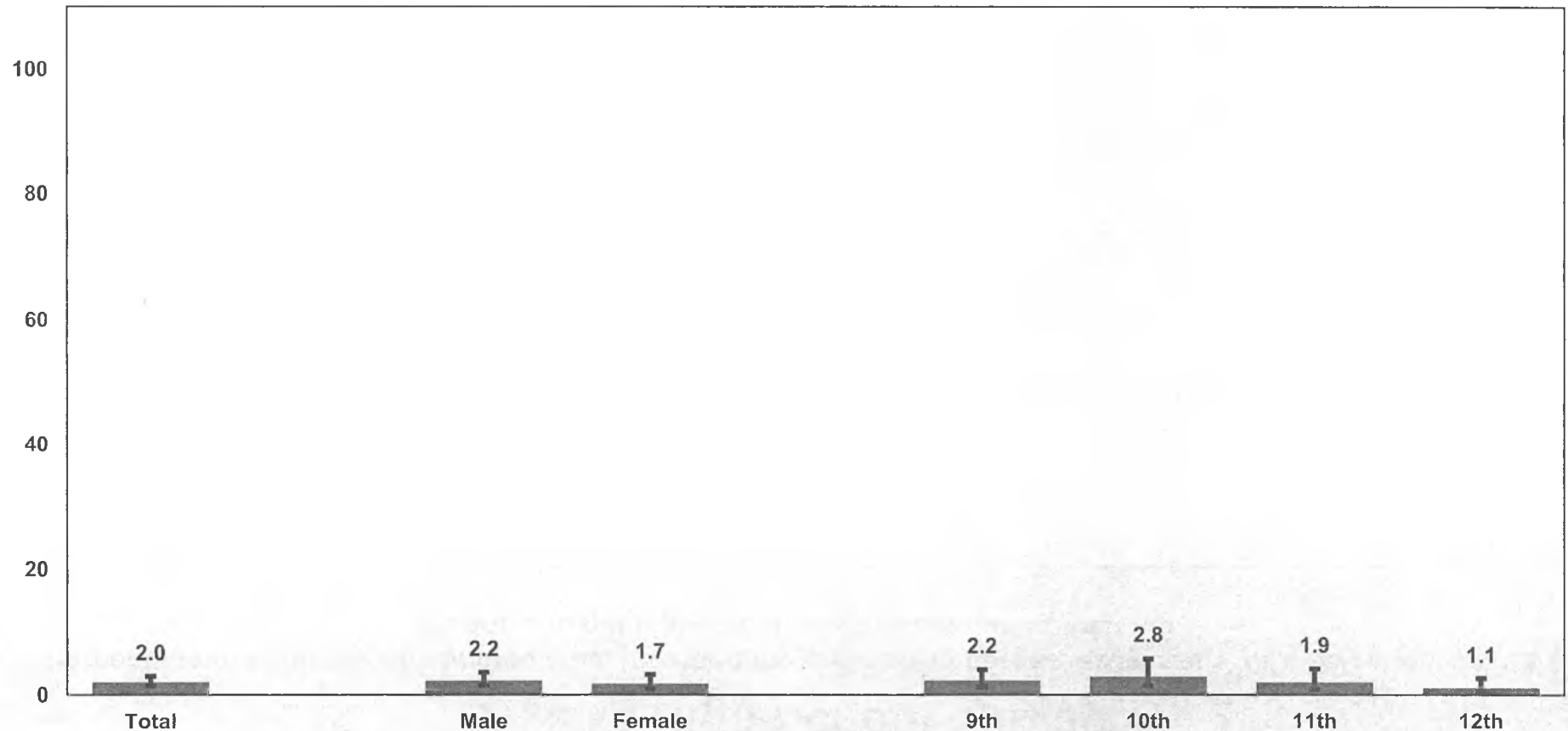
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who used any form of cocaine, including powder, crack, or freebase one or more times during the past 30 days



Q51 - Weighted Data

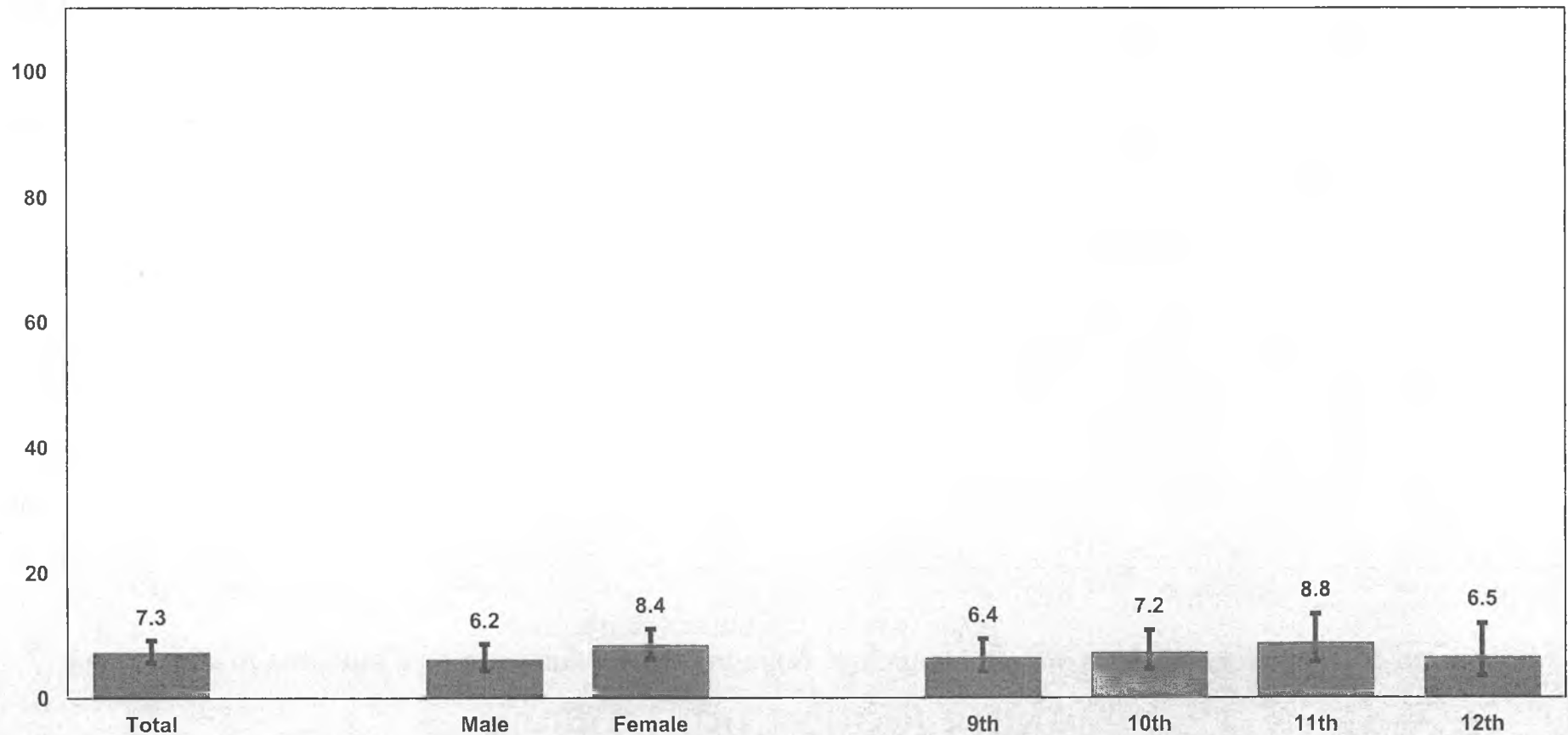
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who sniffed glue, breathed the contents of aerosol spray cans, or inhaled any paints or sprays to get high one or more times during their life



Q52 - Weighted Data

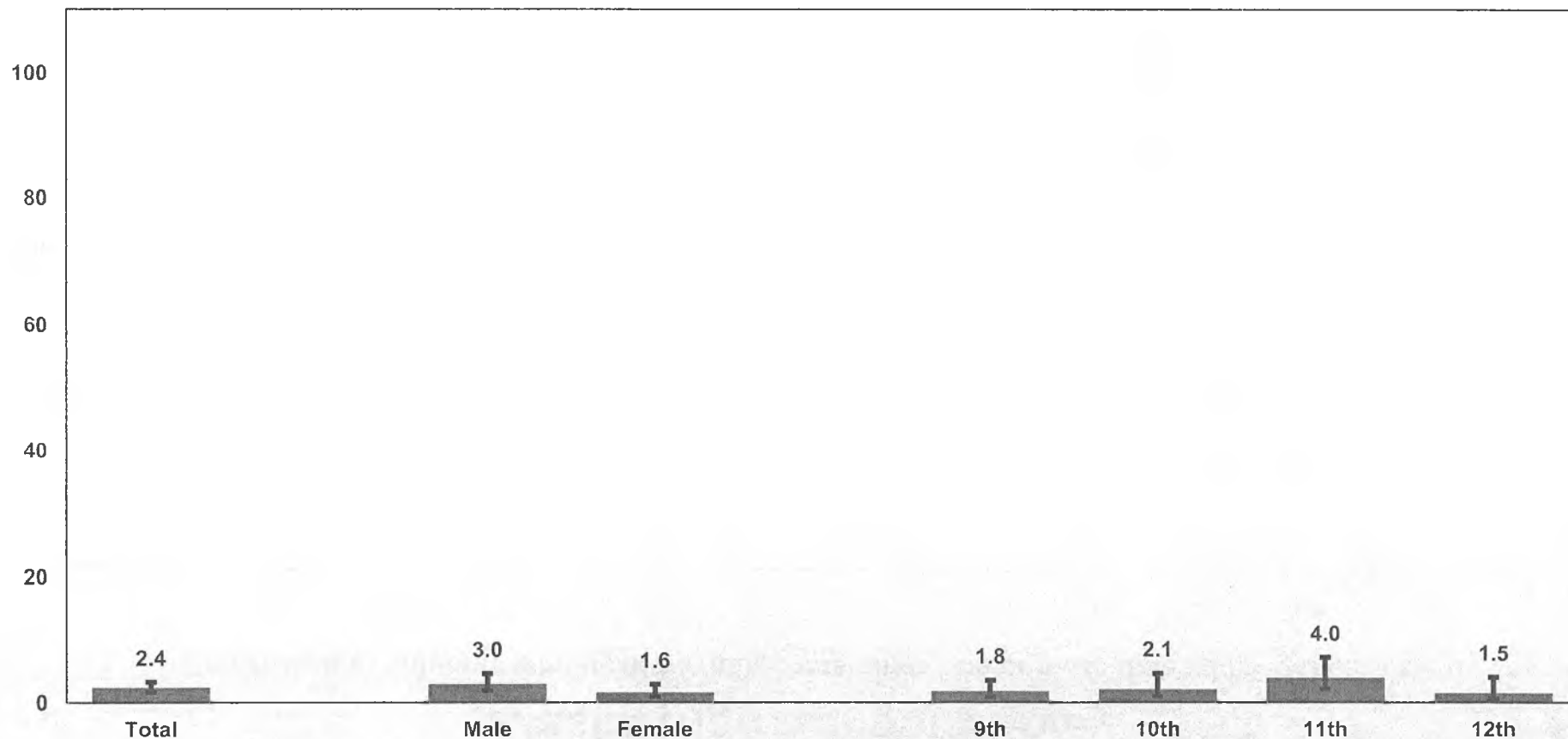
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who used heroin one or more times during their life



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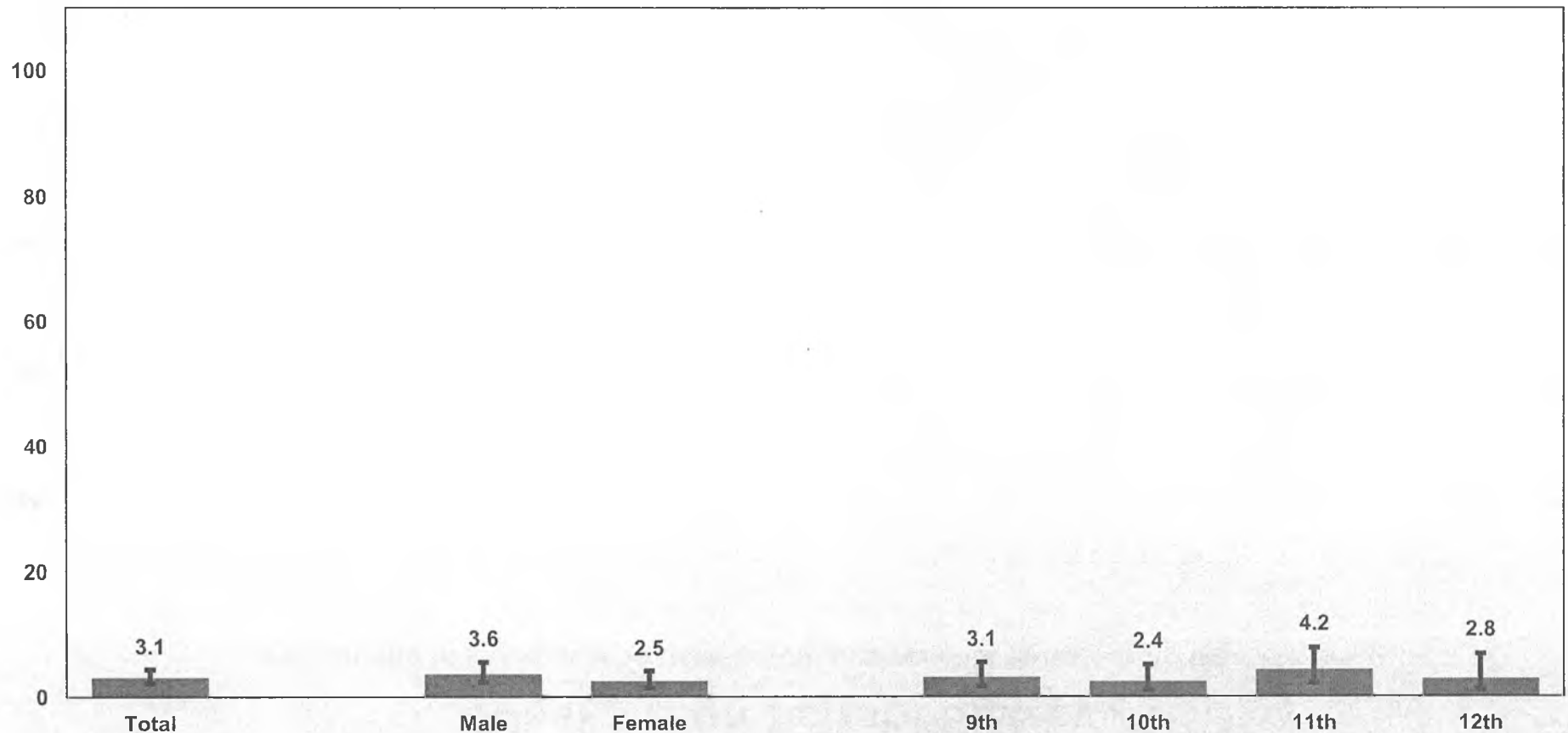
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who used methamphetamines one or more times during their life



Q54 - Weighted Data

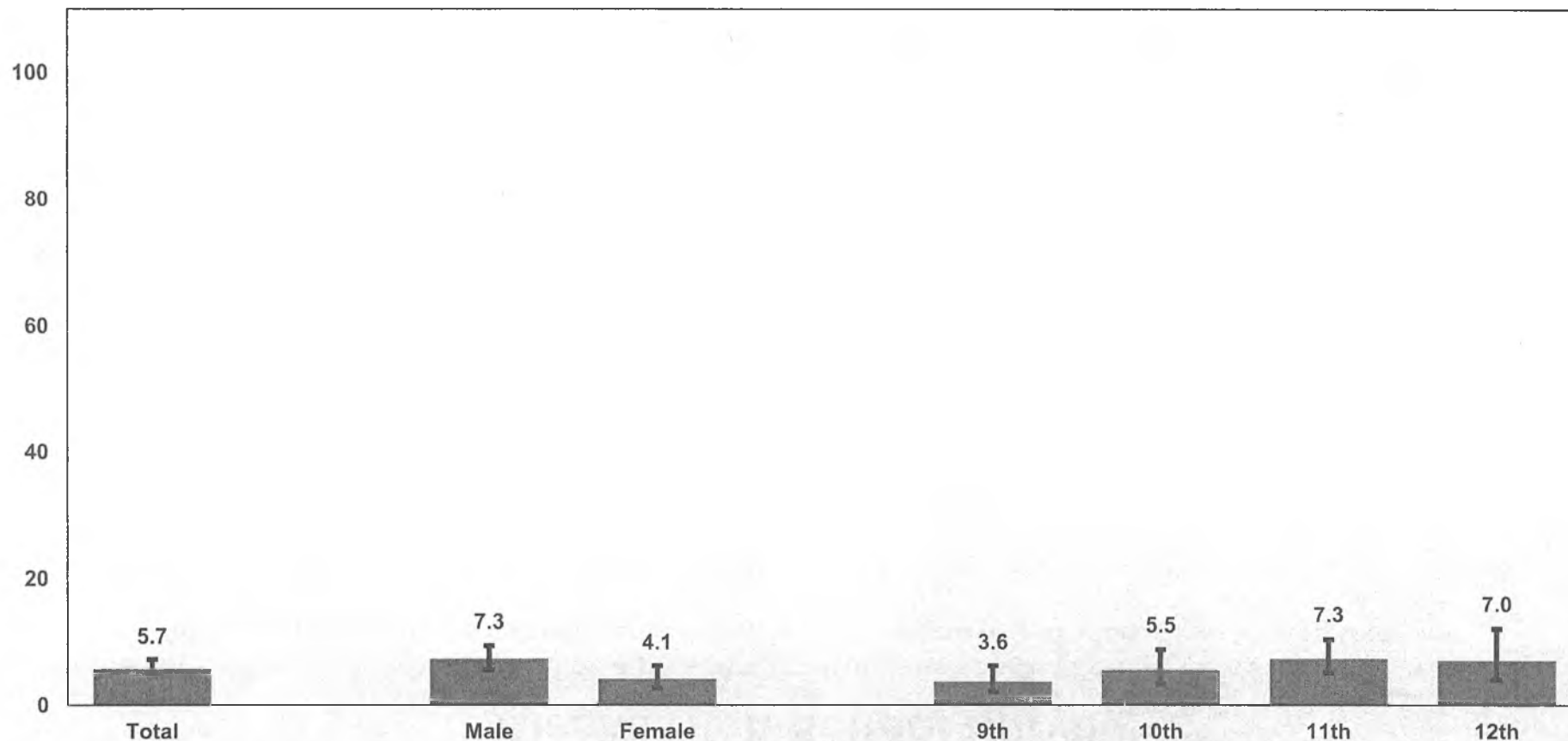
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who used ecstasy one or more times during their life



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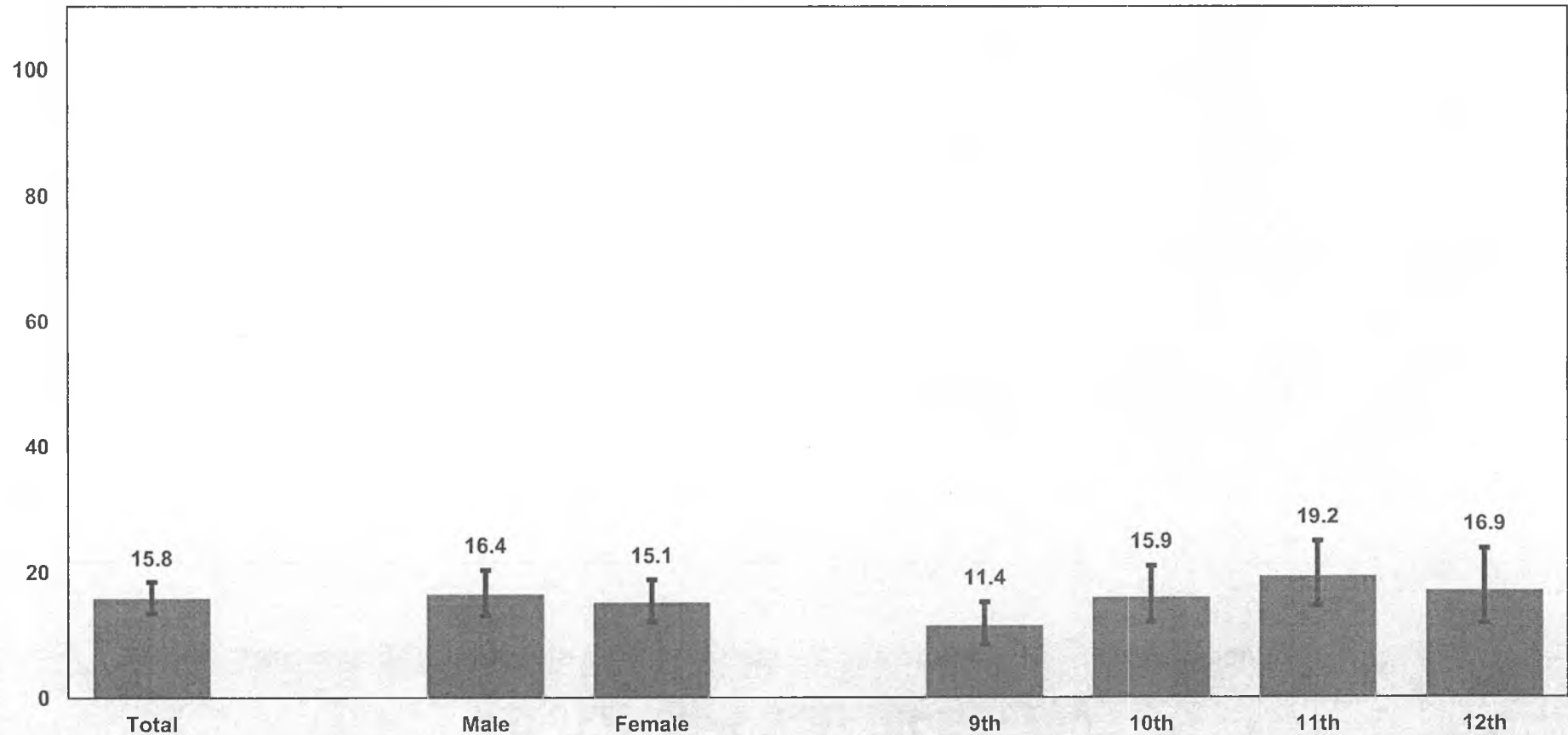
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who have taken a prescription drug (such as OxyContin, Percocet, Vicodin, codeine, Adderall, Ritalin, or Xanax) without a doctor's prescription one or more times during their life



Q57 - Weighted Data

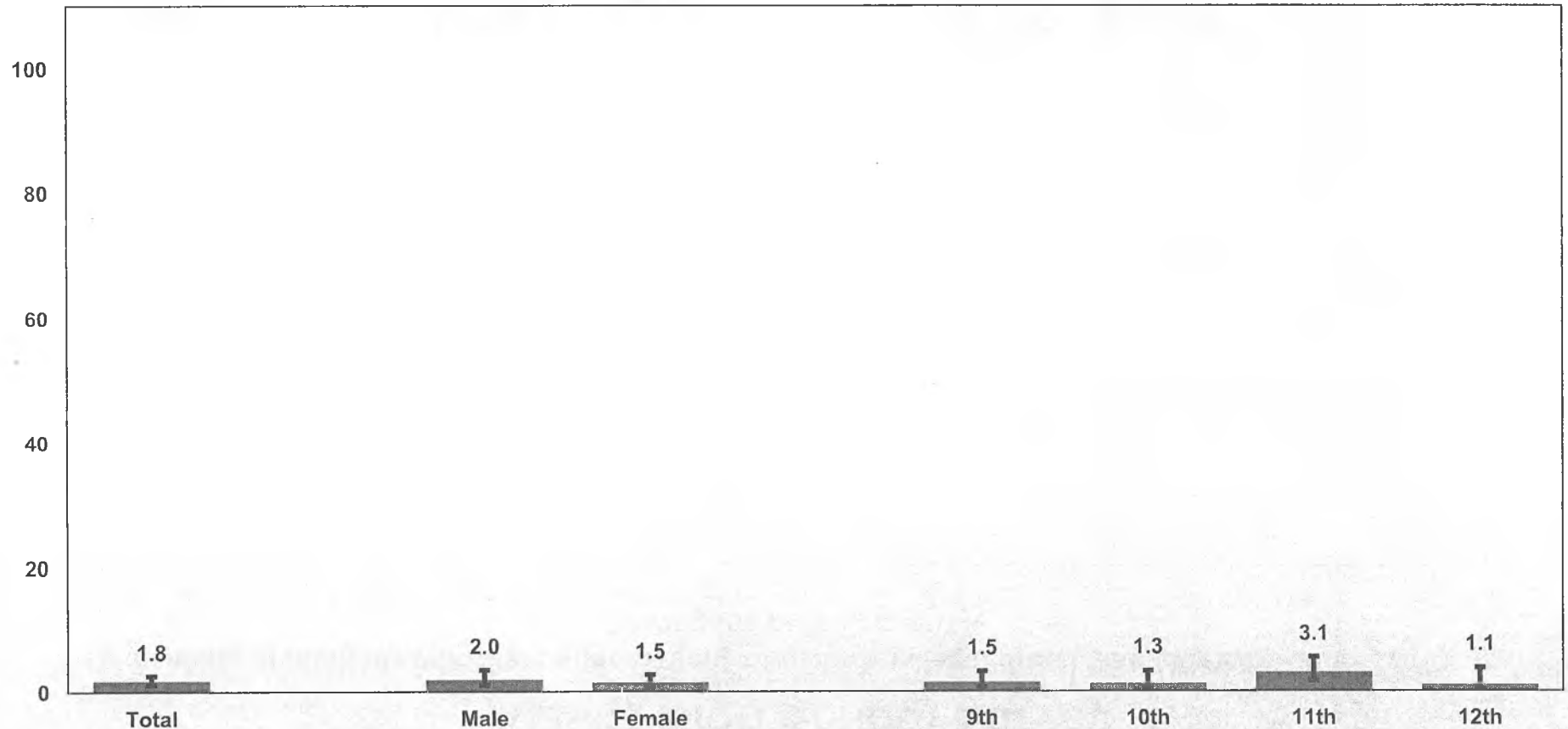
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who used a needle to inject any illegal drug into their body one or more times during their life



Q58 - Weighted Data

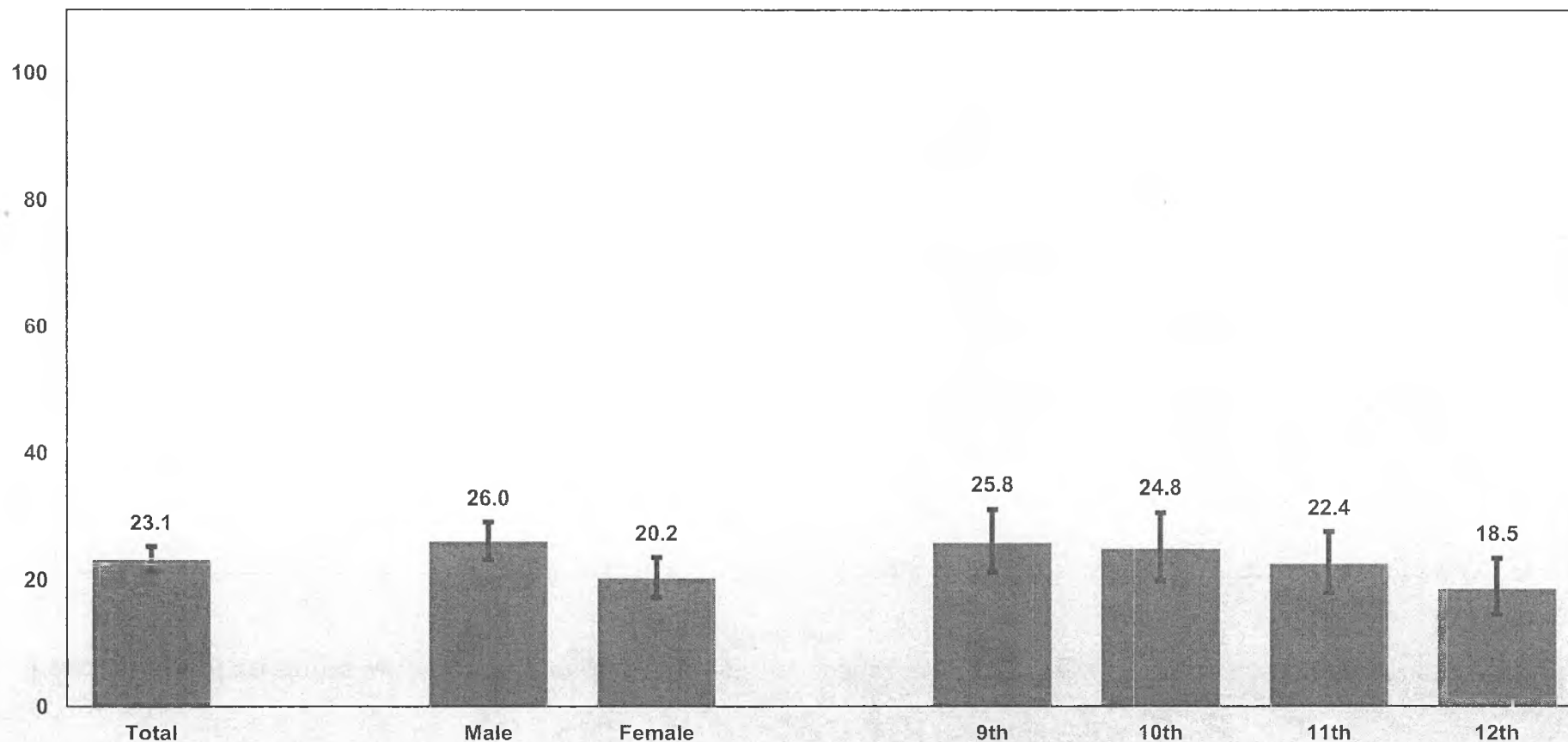
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who were offered, sold, or given an illegal drug by someone on school property during the past 12 months



Q59 - Weighted Data

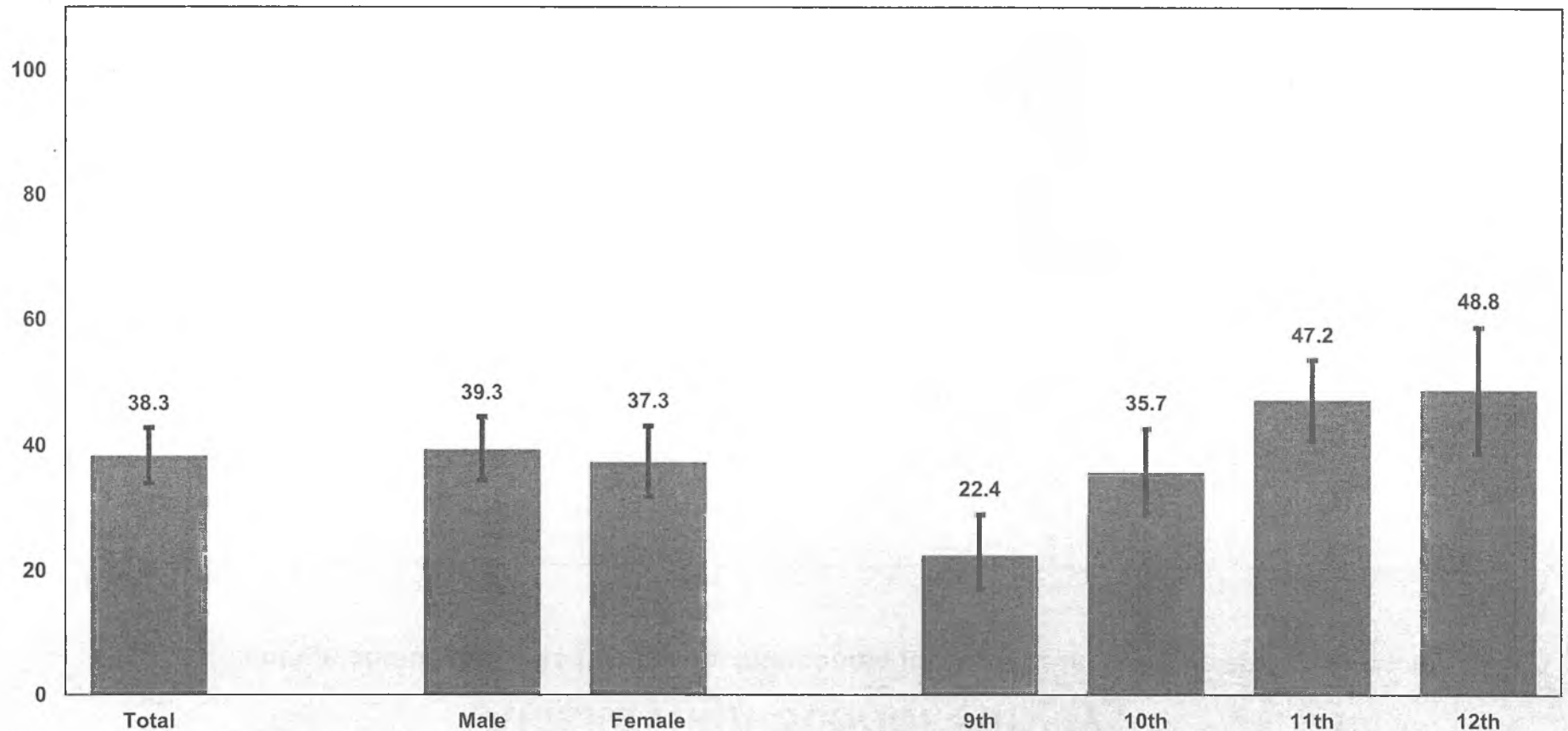
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who ever had sexual intercourse



Q60 - Weighted Data

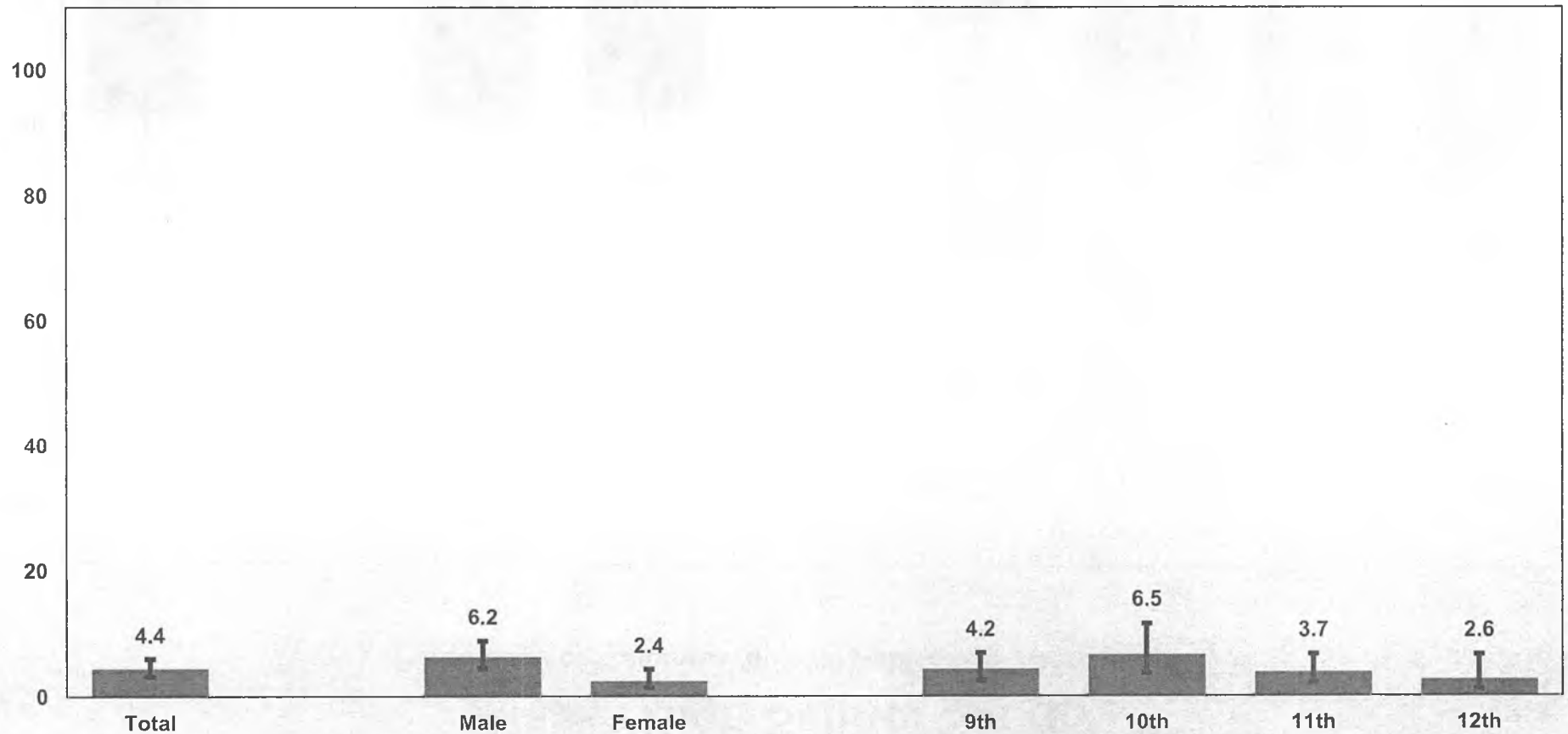
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who had sexual intercourse for the first time before age 13 years



Q61 - Weighted Data

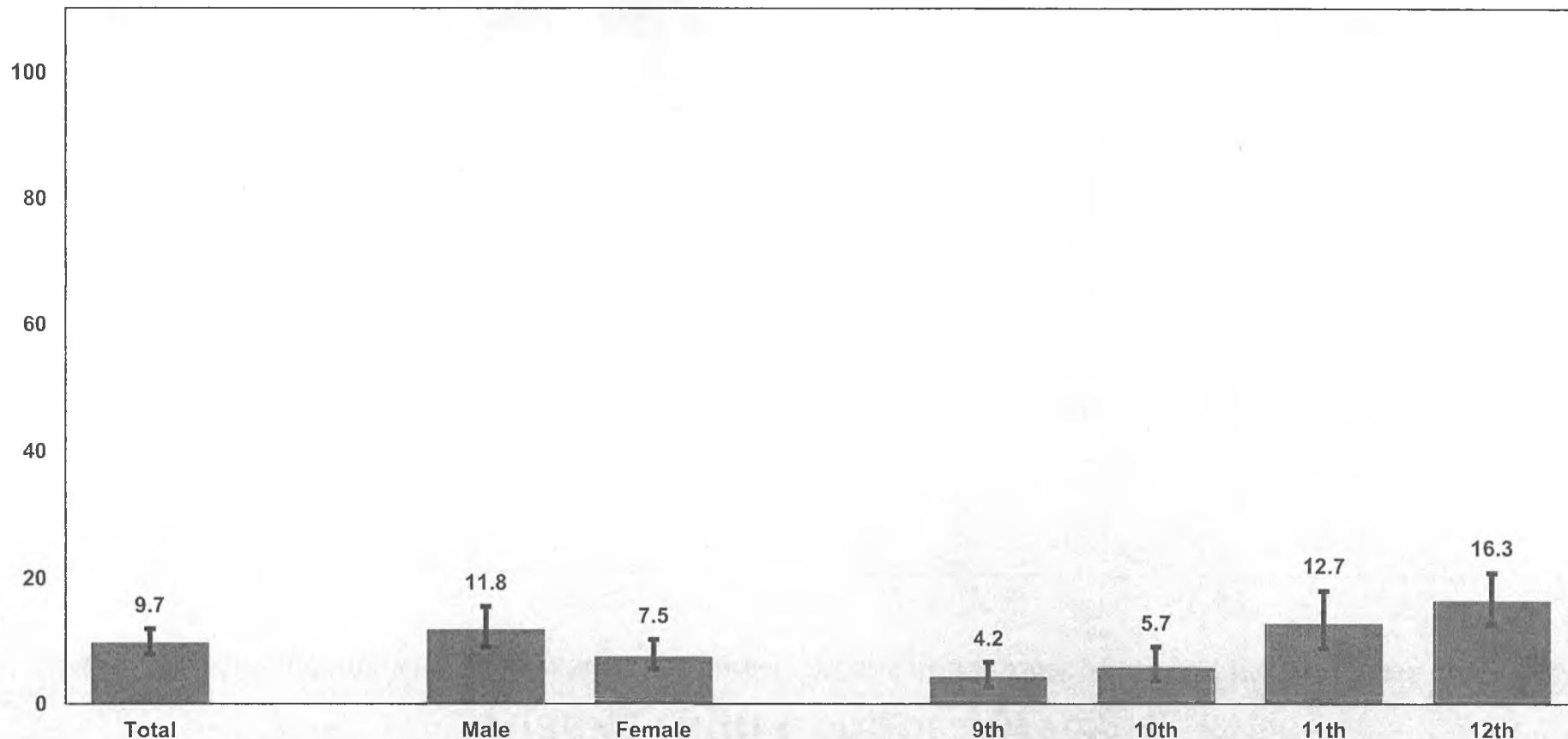
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who had sexual intercourse with four or more people during their life



Q62 - Weighted Data

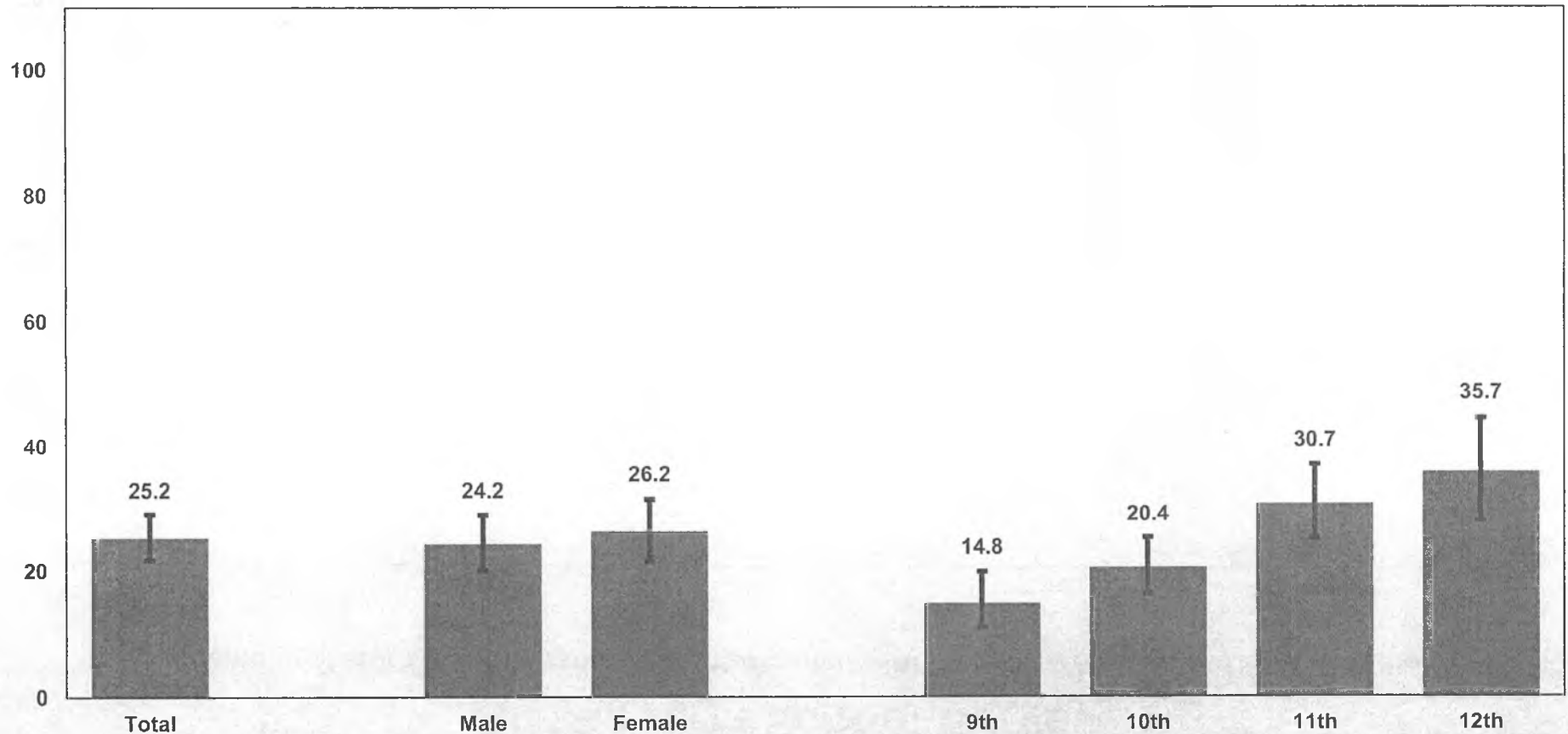
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who had sexual intercourse with one or more people during the past three months



Q63 - Weighted Data

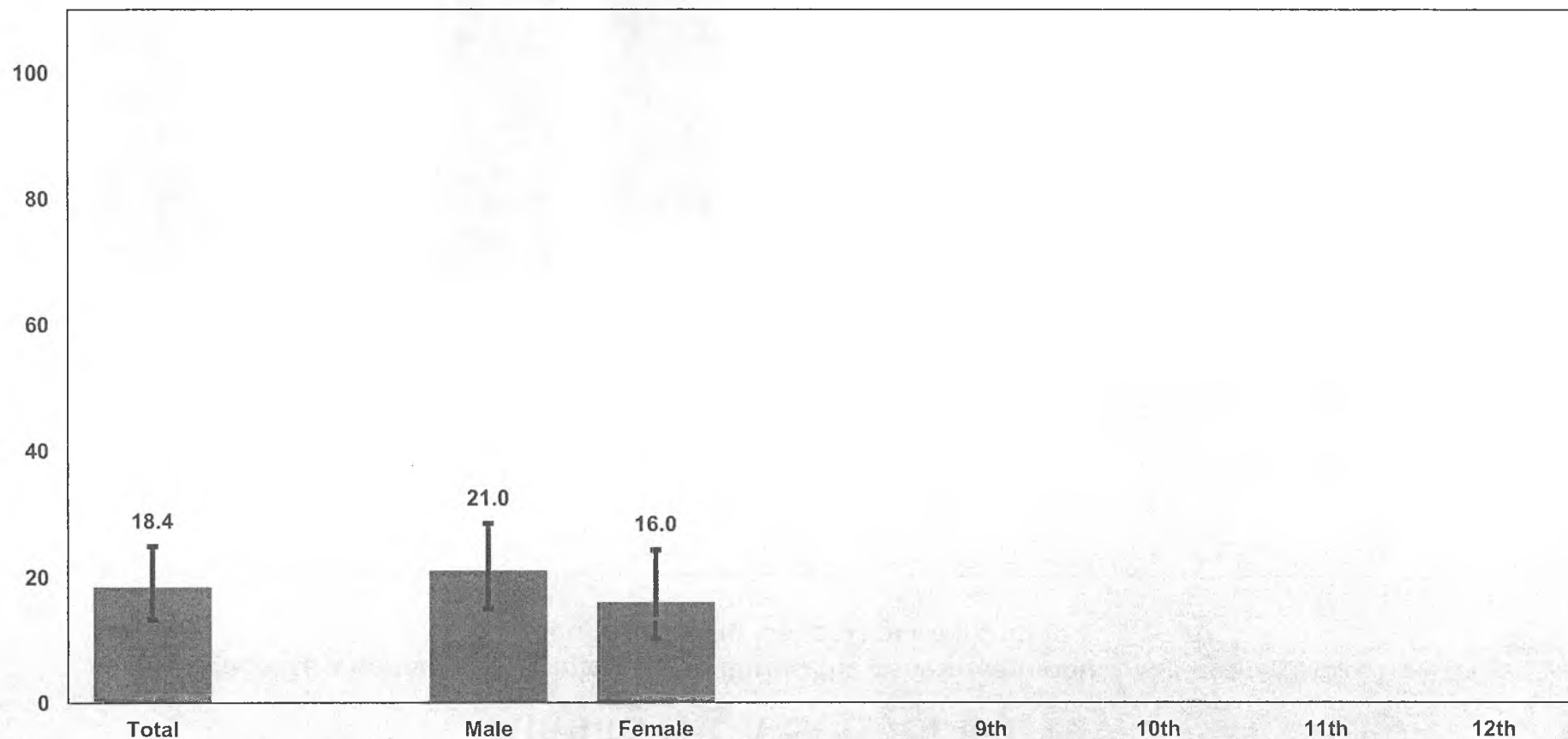
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Among students who had sexual intercourse during the past three months, the percentage who drank alcohol or used drugs before last sexual intercourse



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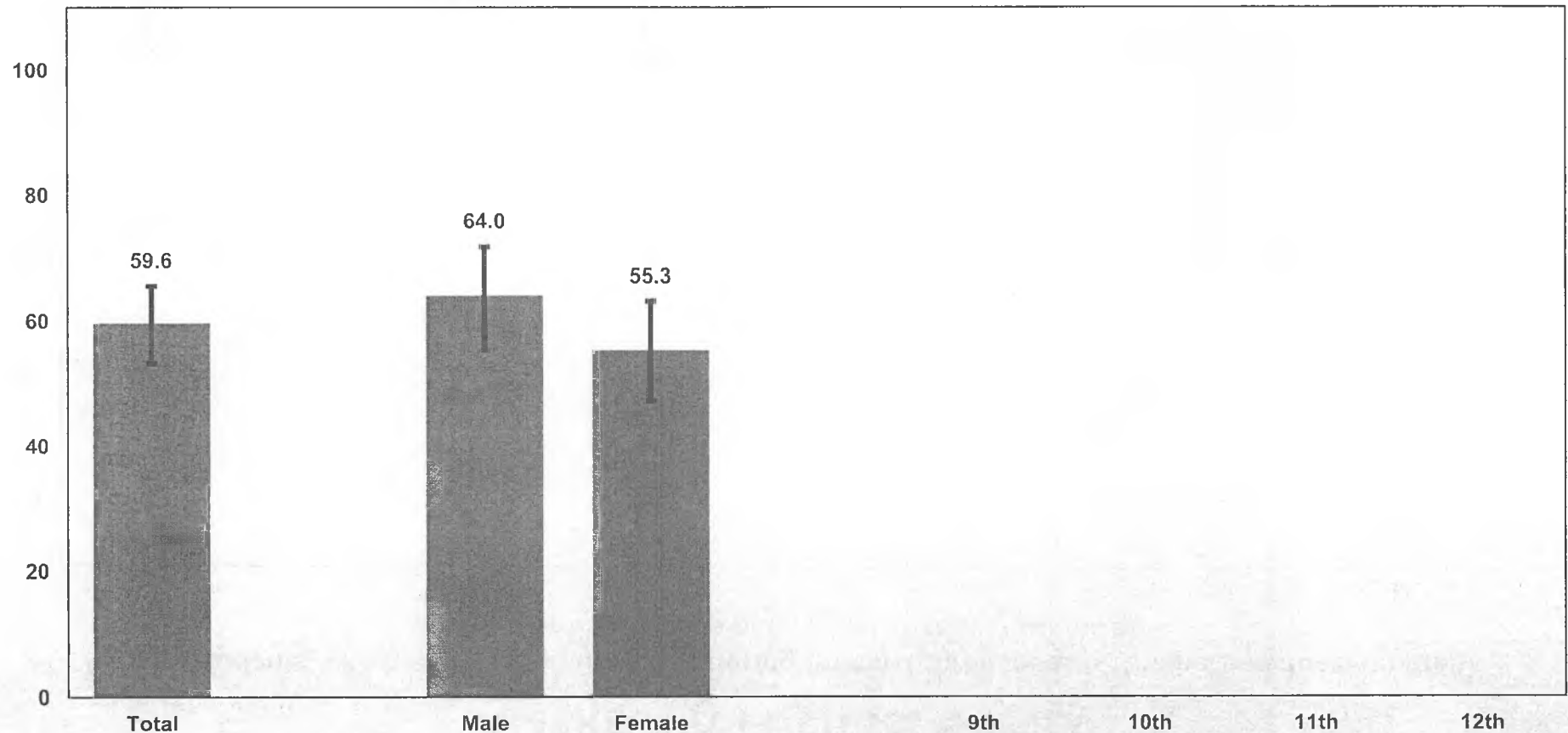
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Among students who had sexual intercourse during the past three months, the percentage who used a condom during last sexual intercourse



Q65 - Weighted Data

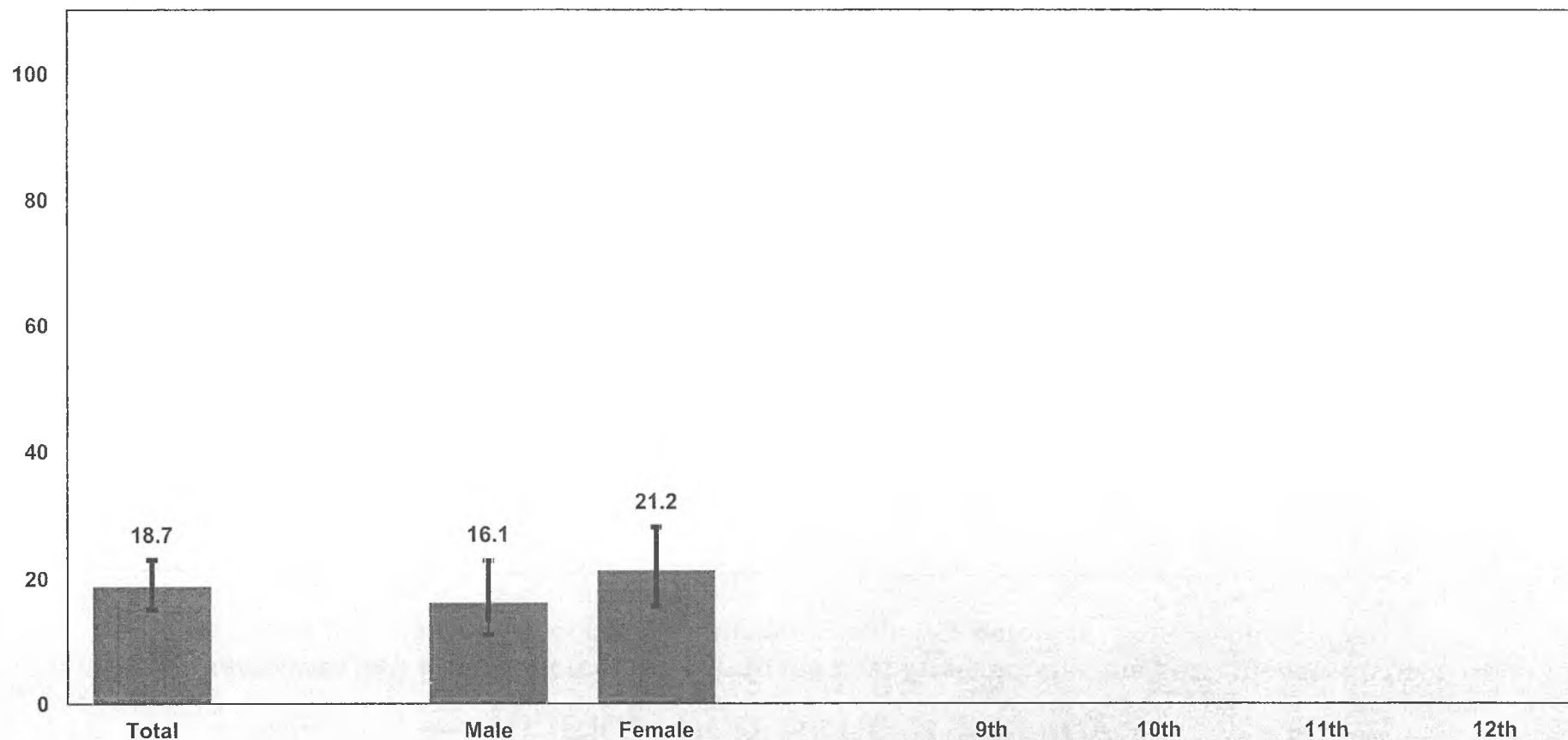
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Among students who had sexual intercourse during the past three months, the percentage who used birth control pills to prevent pregnancy before last sexual intercourse



Q66 - Weighted Data

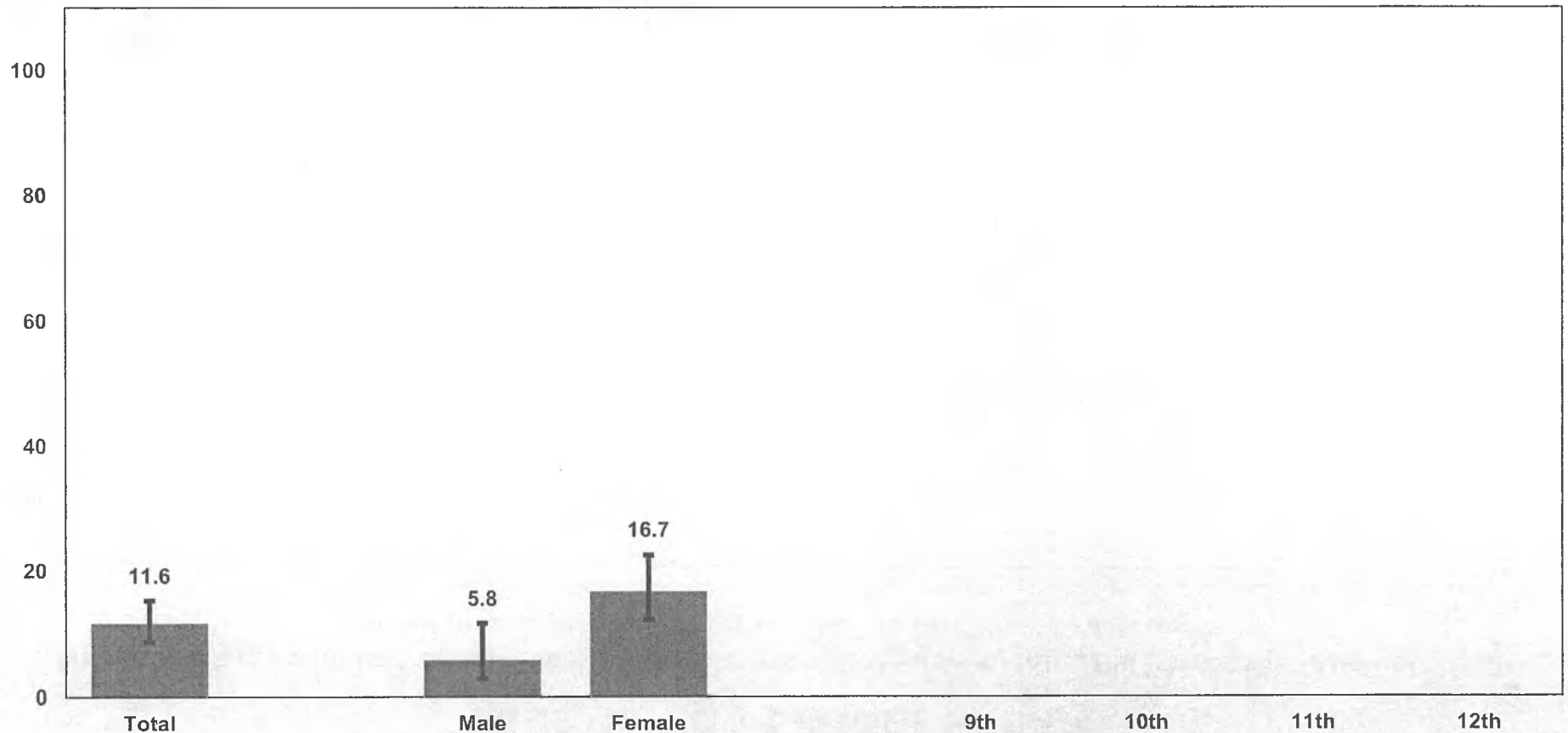
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Among students who had sexual intercourse during the past three months, the percentage who used Depo-Provera (injectable birth control) to prevent pregnancy before last sexual intercourse



QNDEPO - Weighted Data

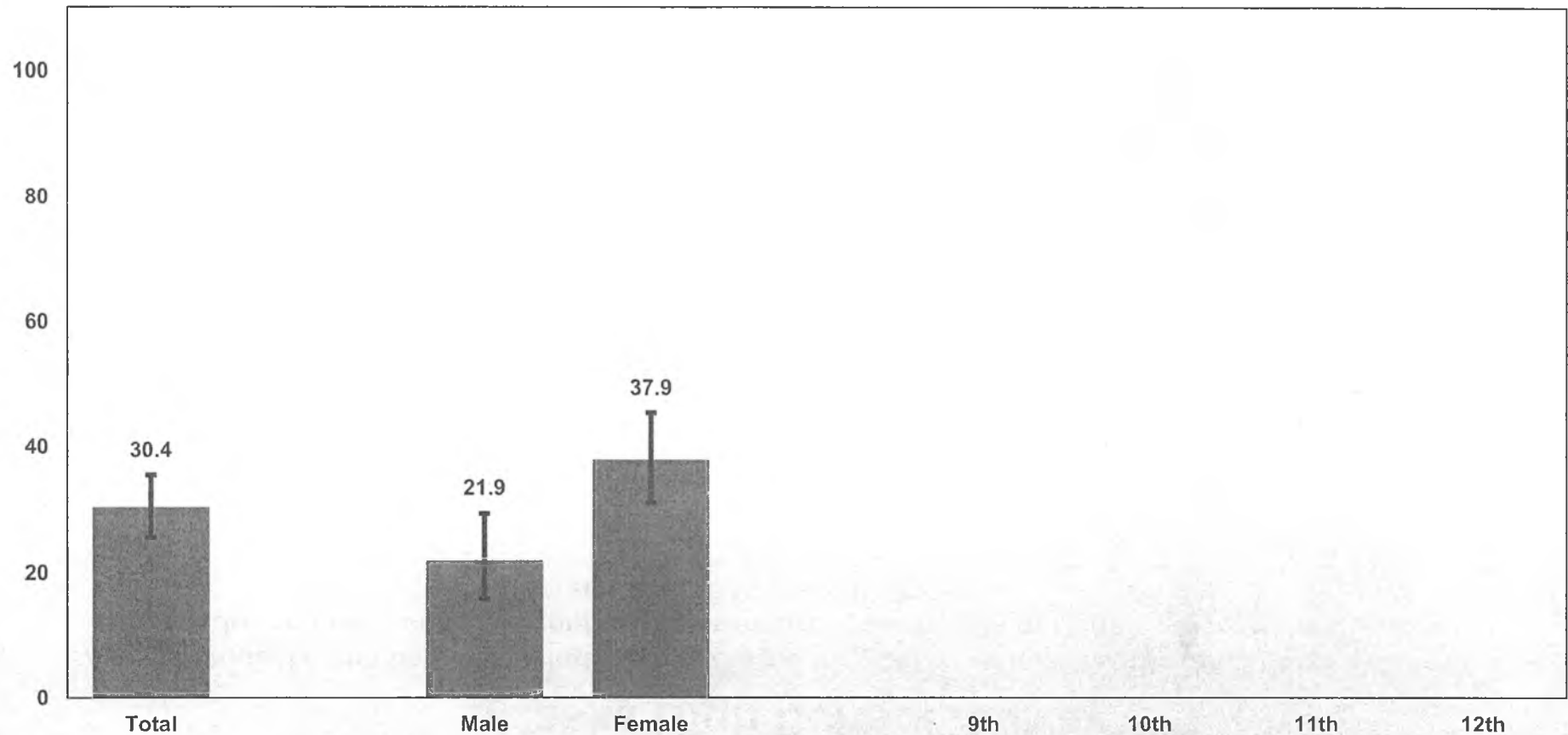
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Among students who had sexual intercourse during the past three months, the percentage who used Depo-Provera (injectable birth control) or birth control pills to prevent pregnancy before last sexual intercourse



QNDEPOPL - Weighted Data

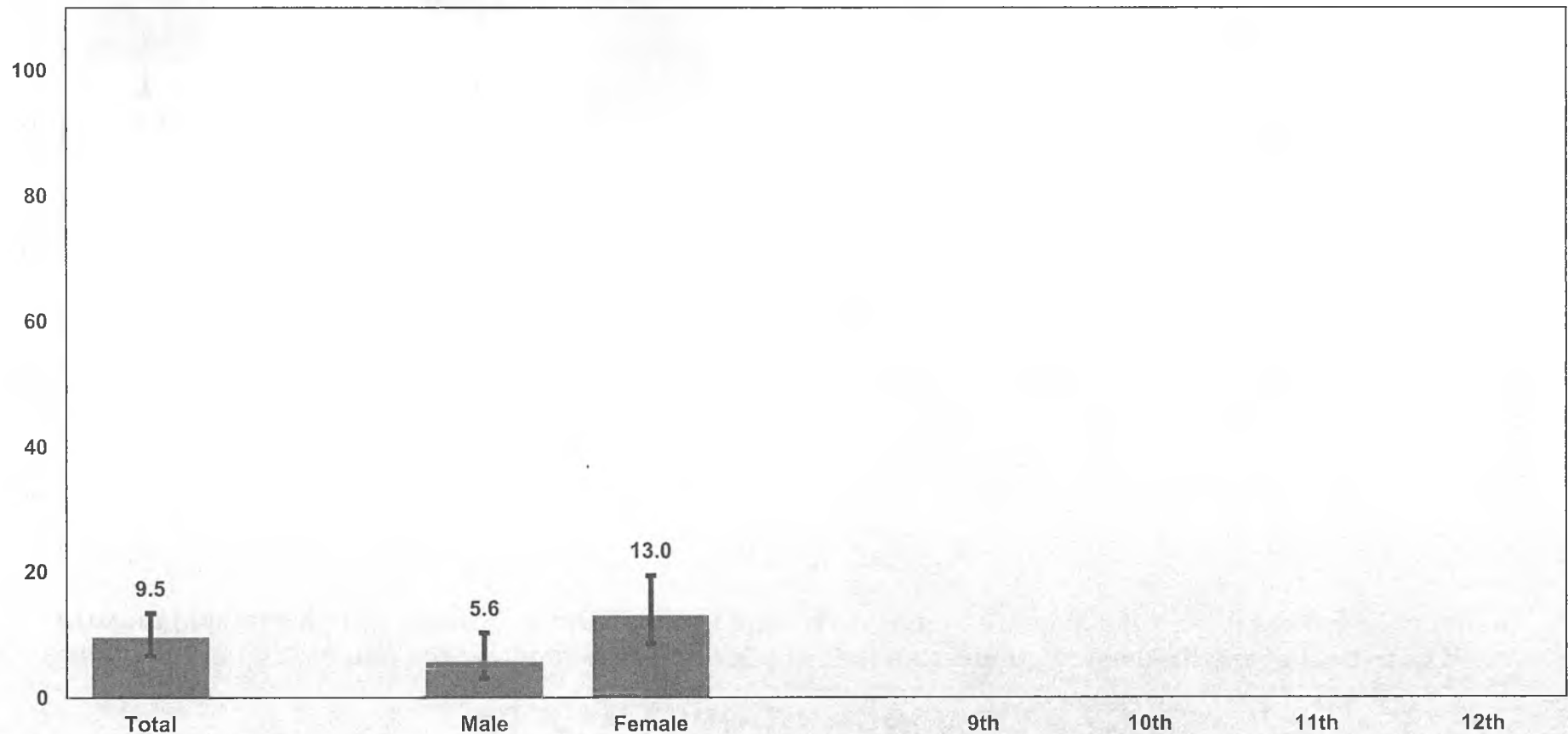
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Among students who had sexual intercourse during the past three months, the percentage who used a condom during last sexual intercourse and used birth control pills or Depo-Provera before last sexual intercourse to prevent pregnancy



QNDUAL - Weighted Data

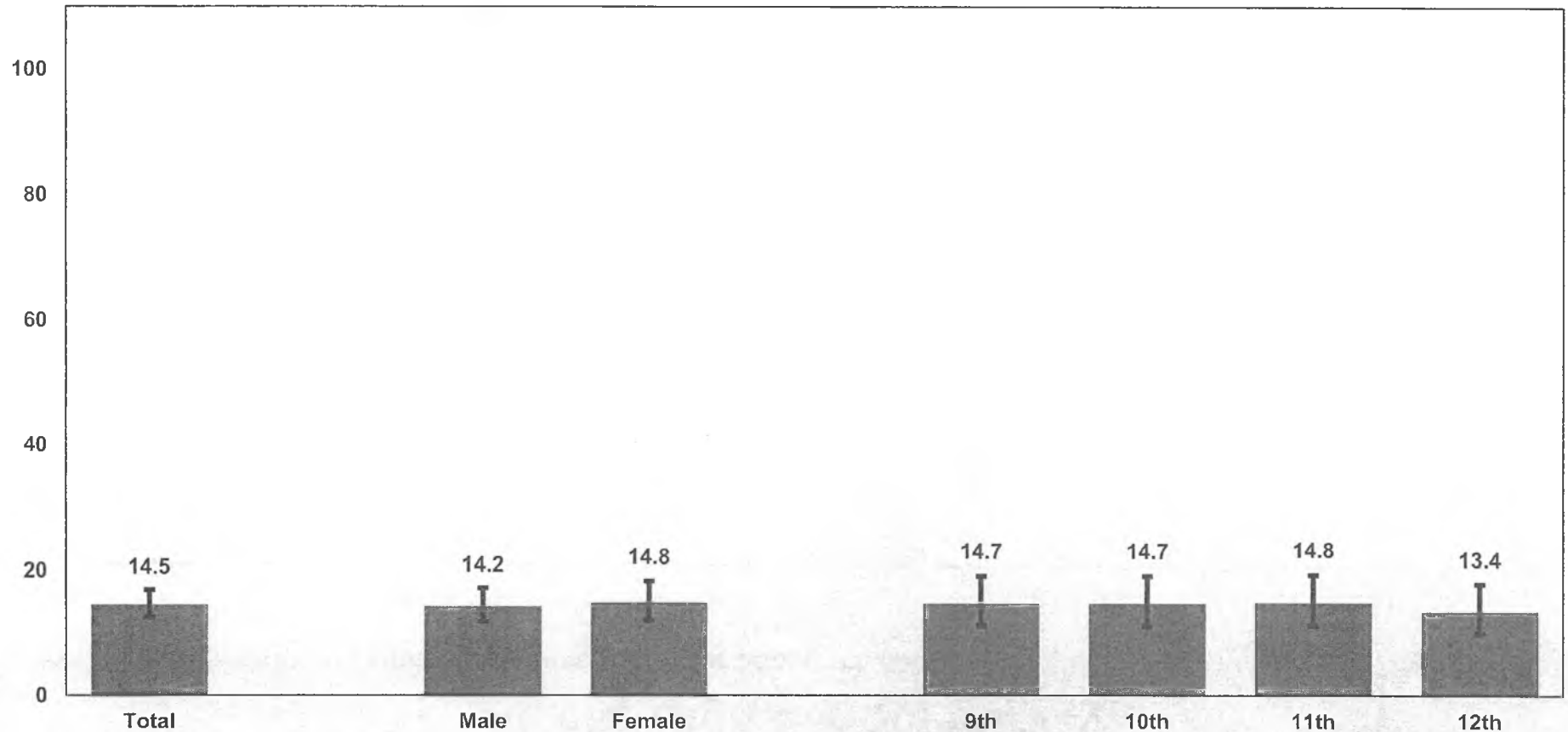
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who were overweight (i.e., at or above the 85th percentile but below the 95th percentile for body mass index, by age and sex)**



**QNOWT - Weighted Data - Based on reference data from the 2000 CDC Growth Charts.

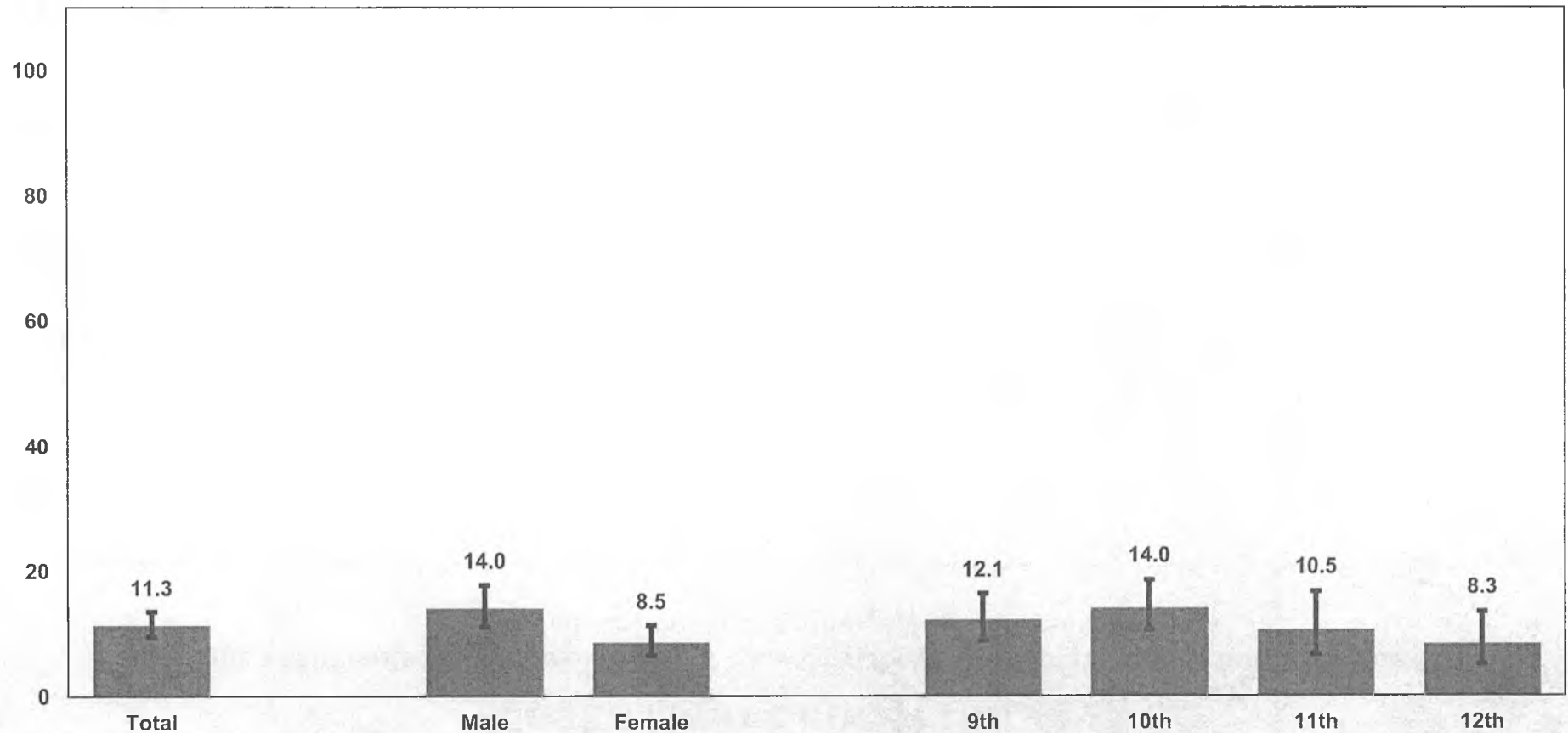
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who were obese (i.e., at or above the 95th percentile for body mass index, by age and sex)**



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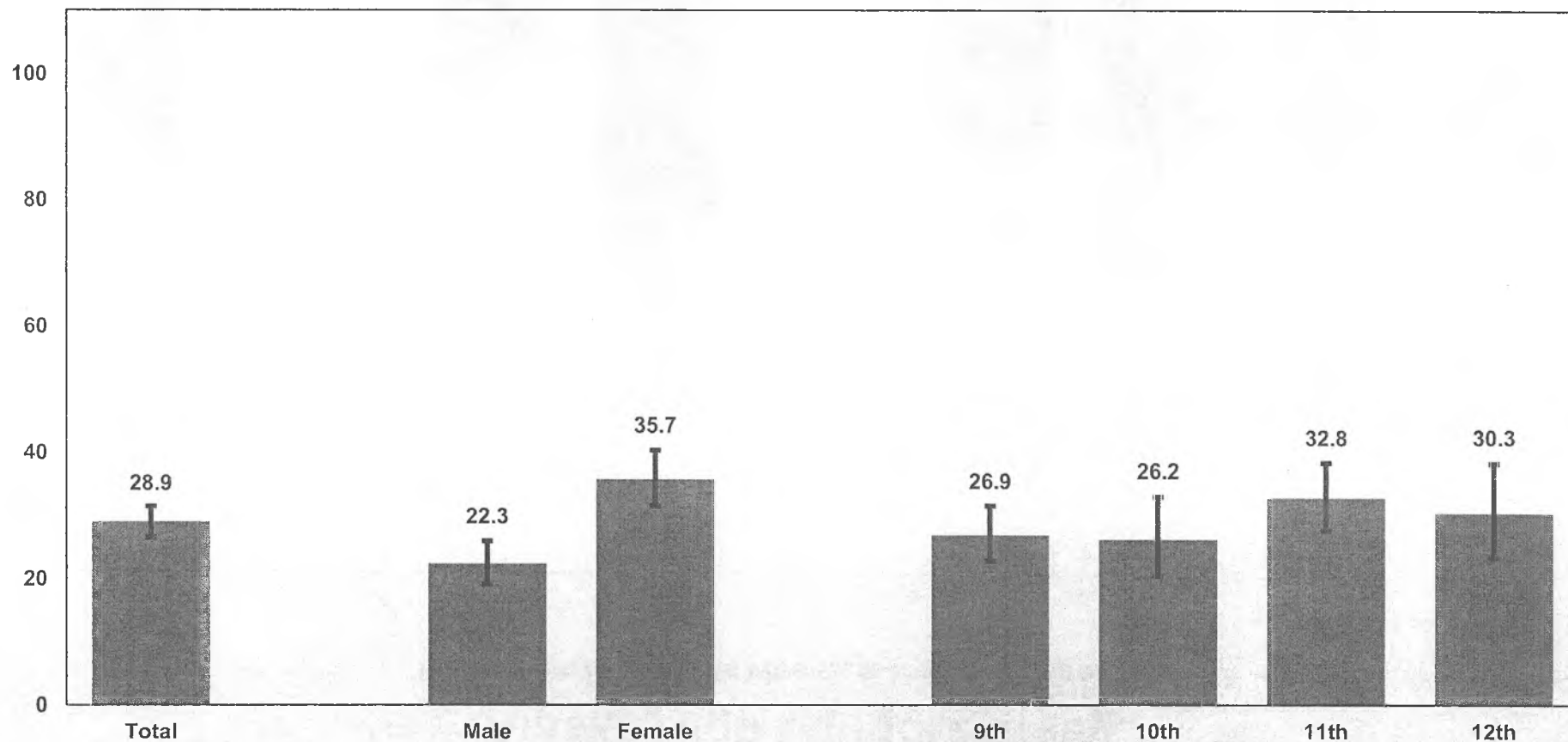
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who described themselves as slightly or very overweight



Q67 - Weighted Data

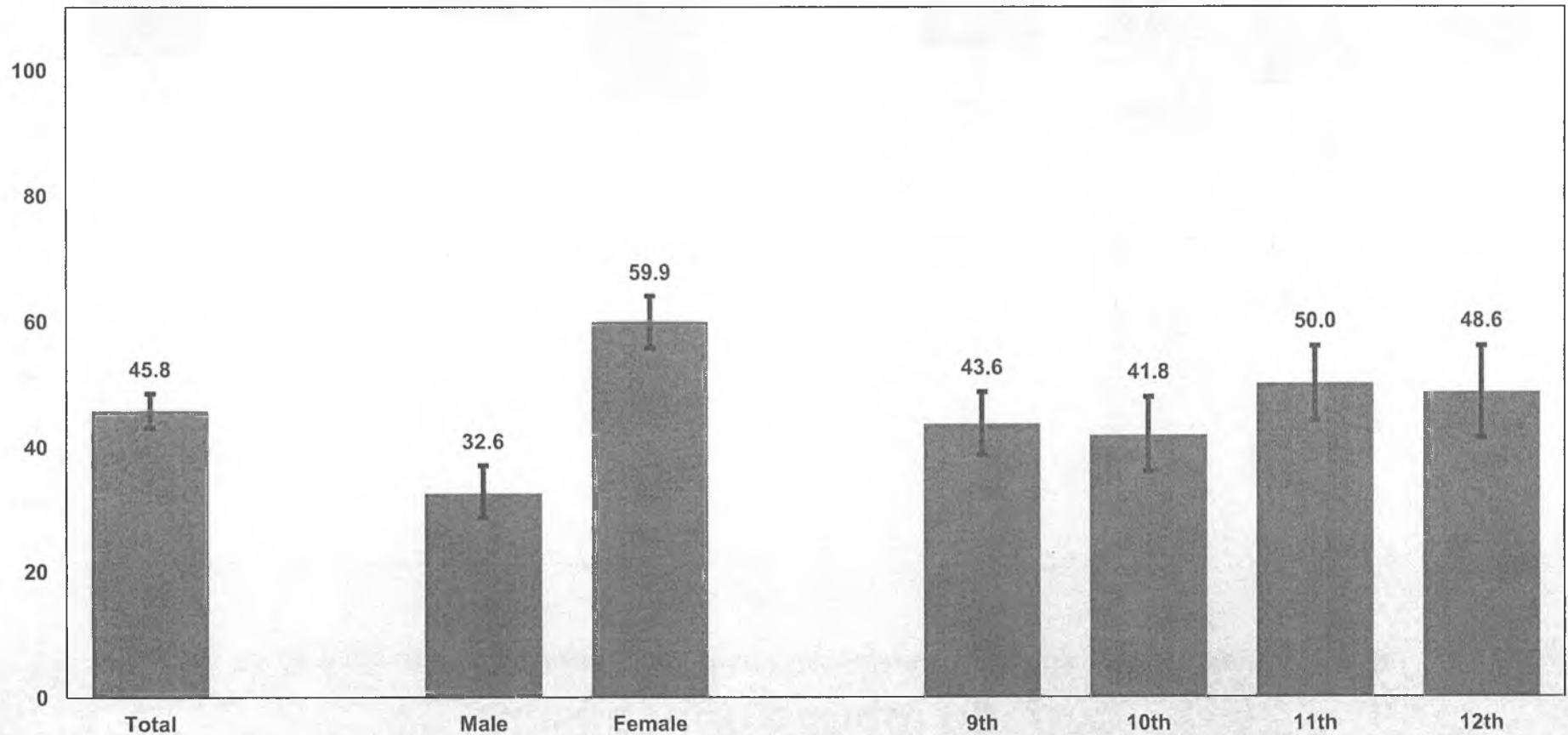
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who were trying to lose weight



Q68 - Weighted Data

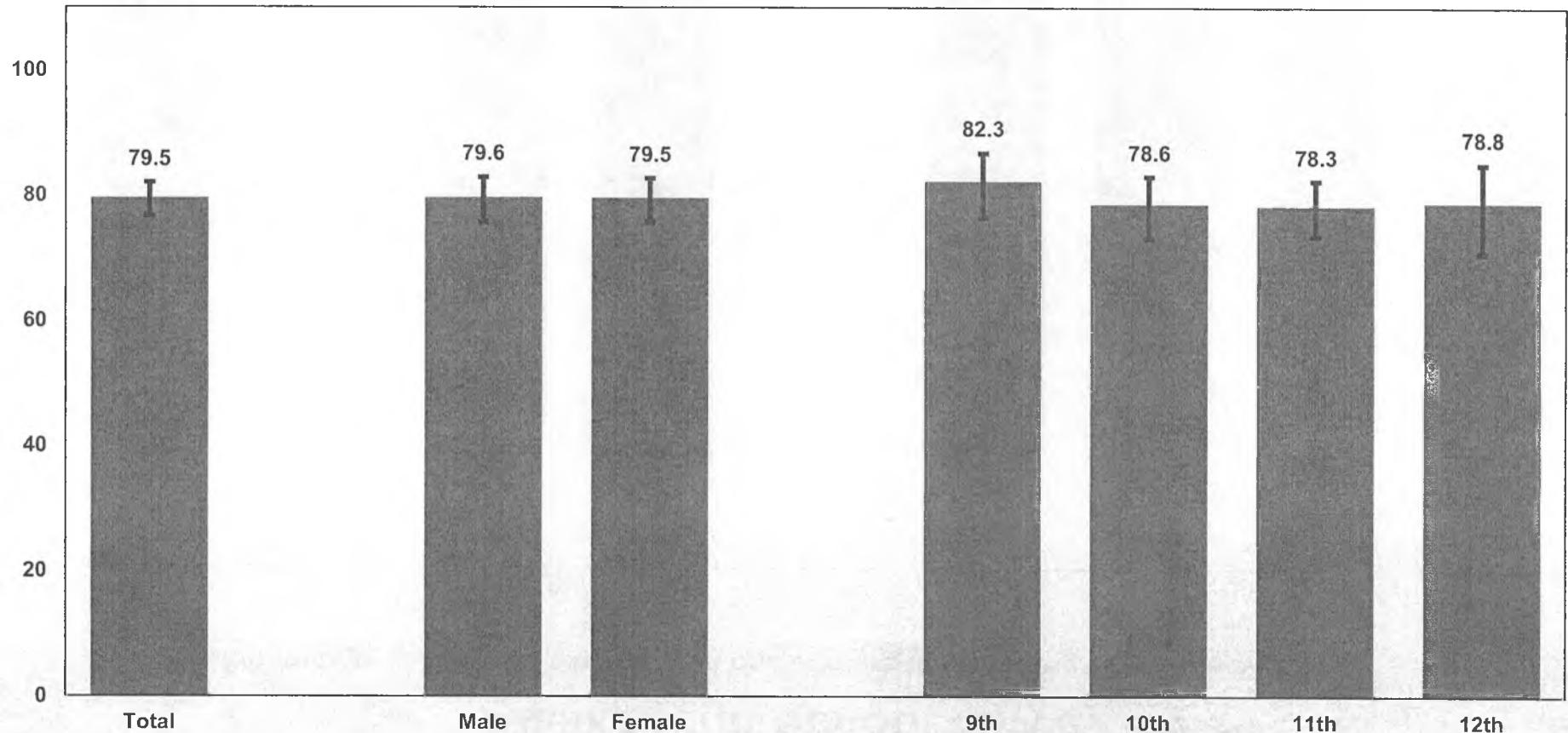
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who drank 100% fruit juices one or more times during the past seven days



Q72 - Weighted Data

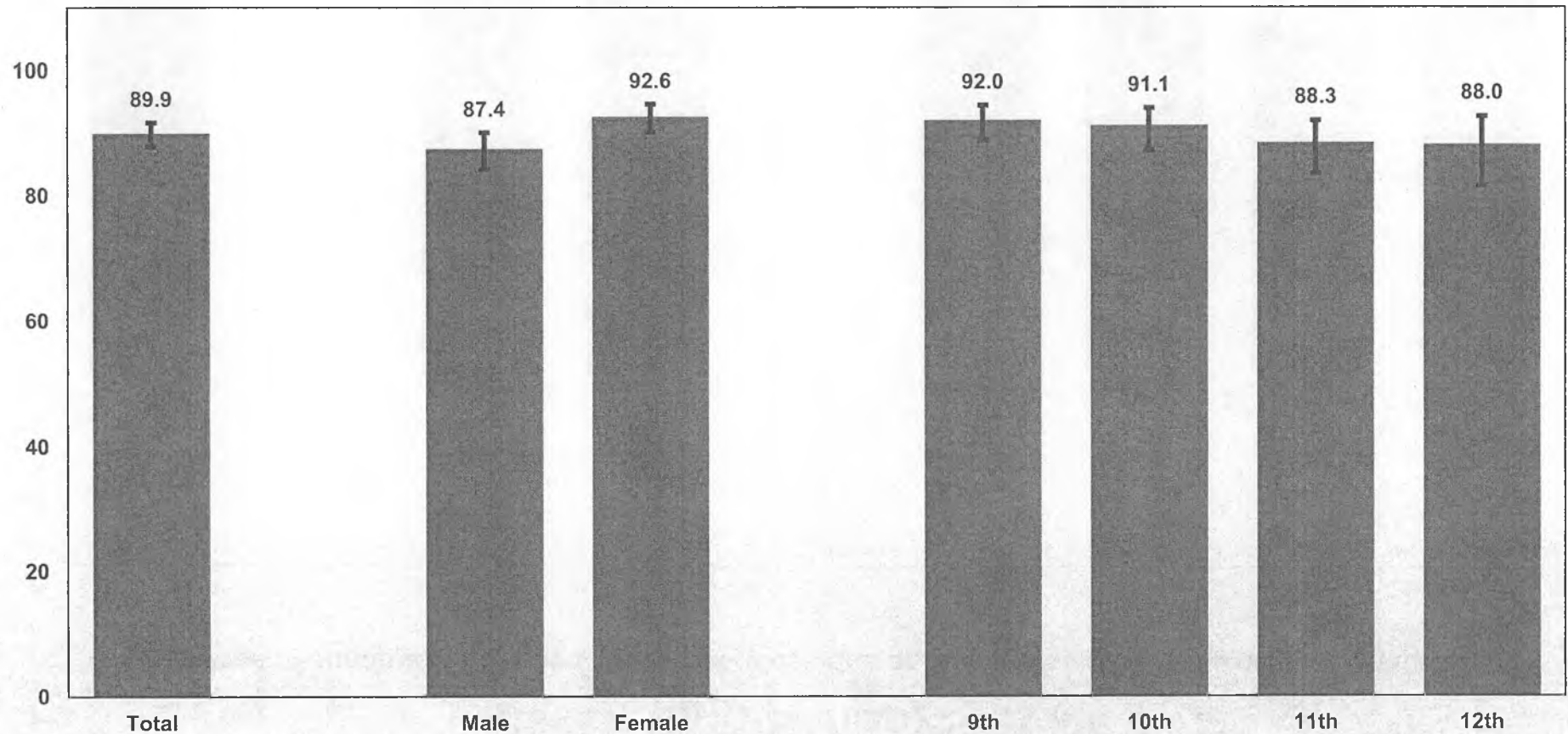
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who ate fruit one or more times during the past seven days



Q73 - Weighted Data

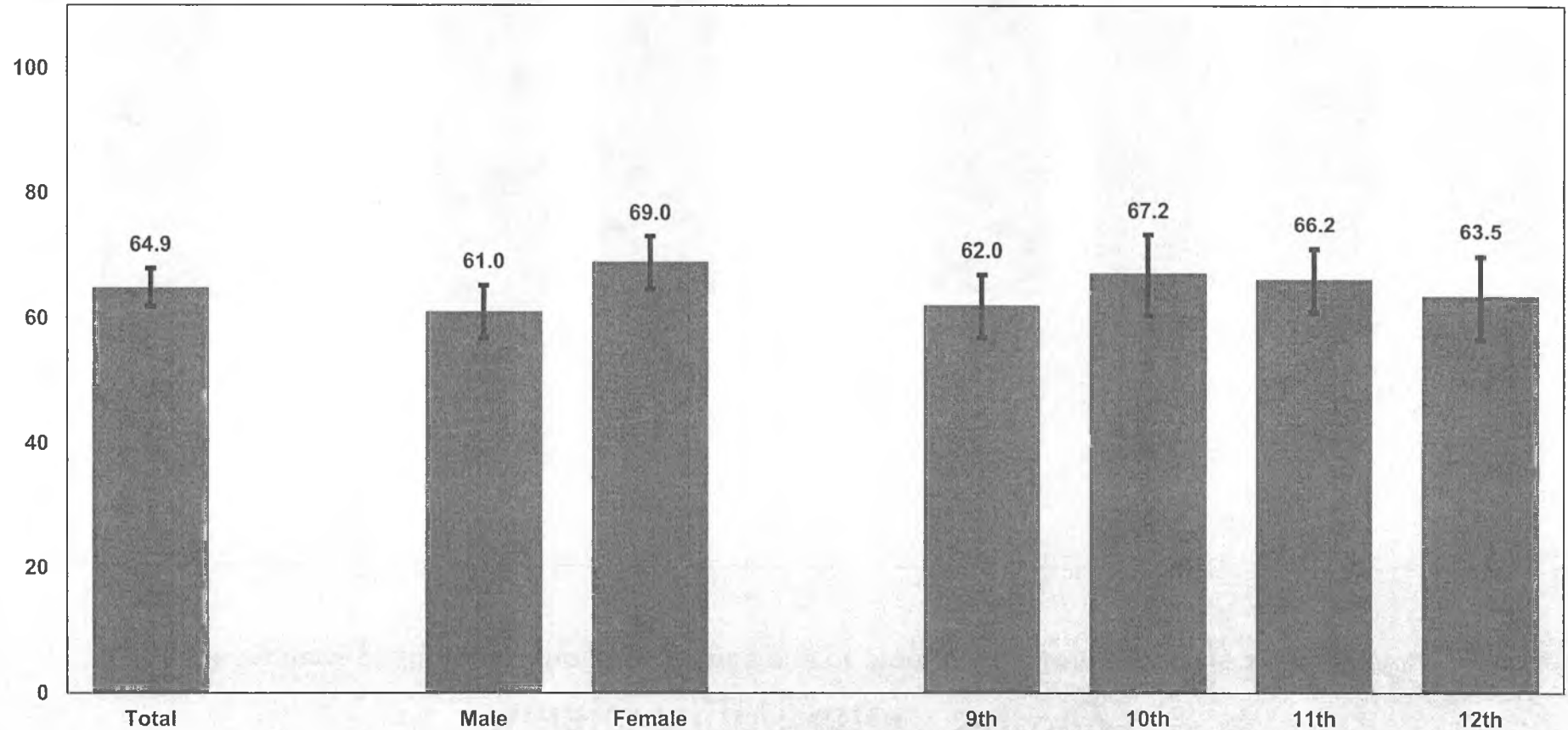
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who ate green salad one or more times during the past seven days



Q74 - Weighted Data

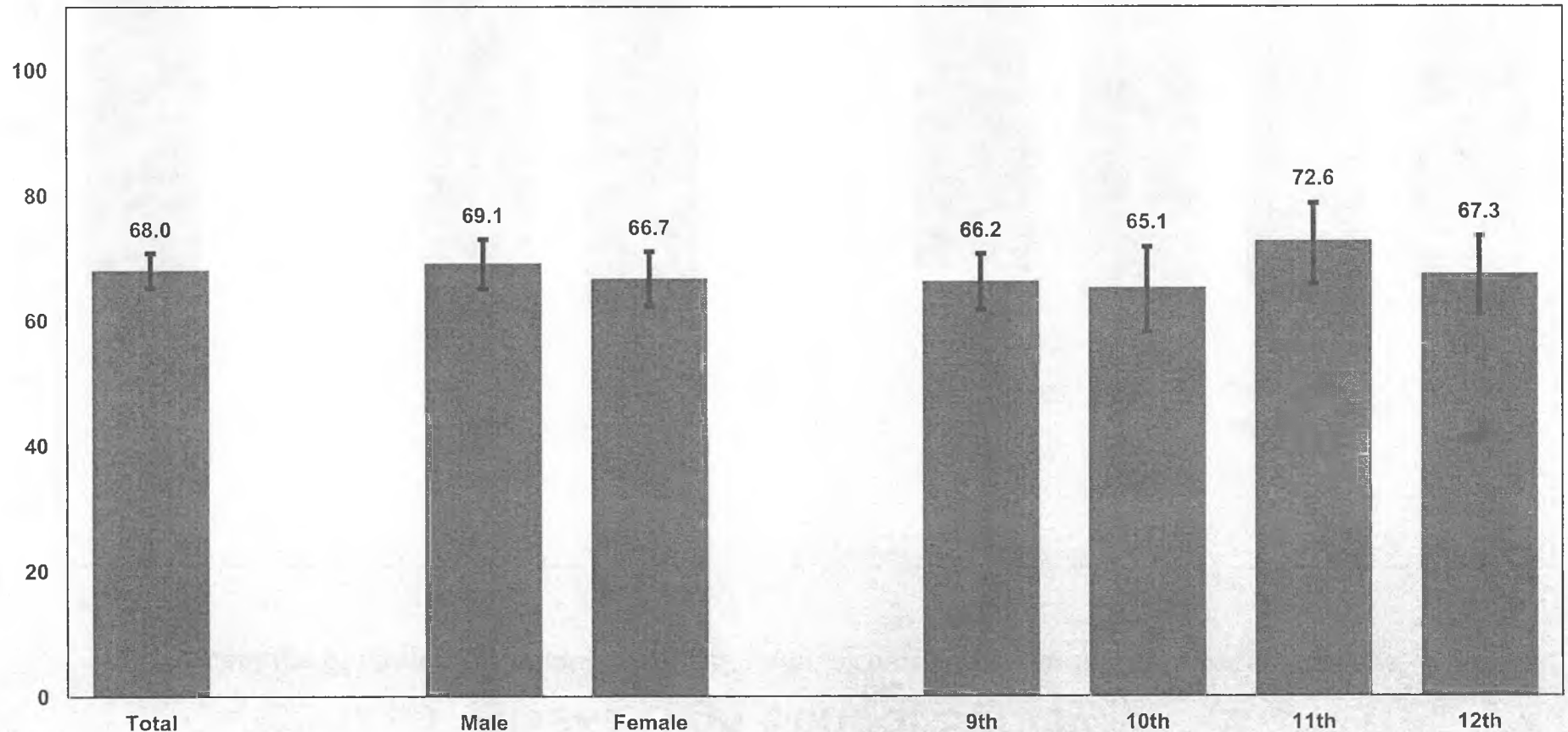
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who ate potatoes one or more times during the past seven days



Q75 - Weighted Data

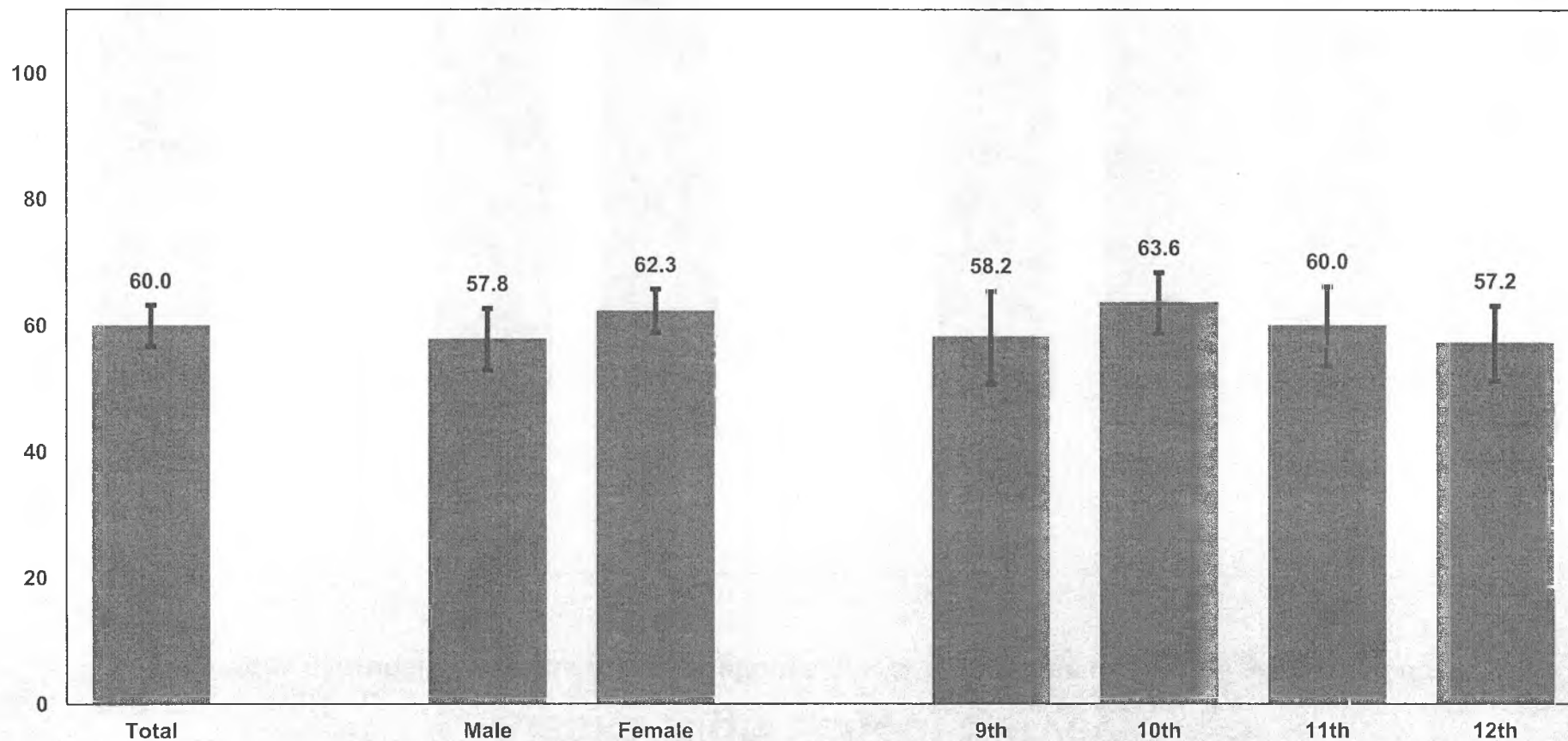
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who ate carrots one or more times during the past seven days



Q76 - Weighted Data

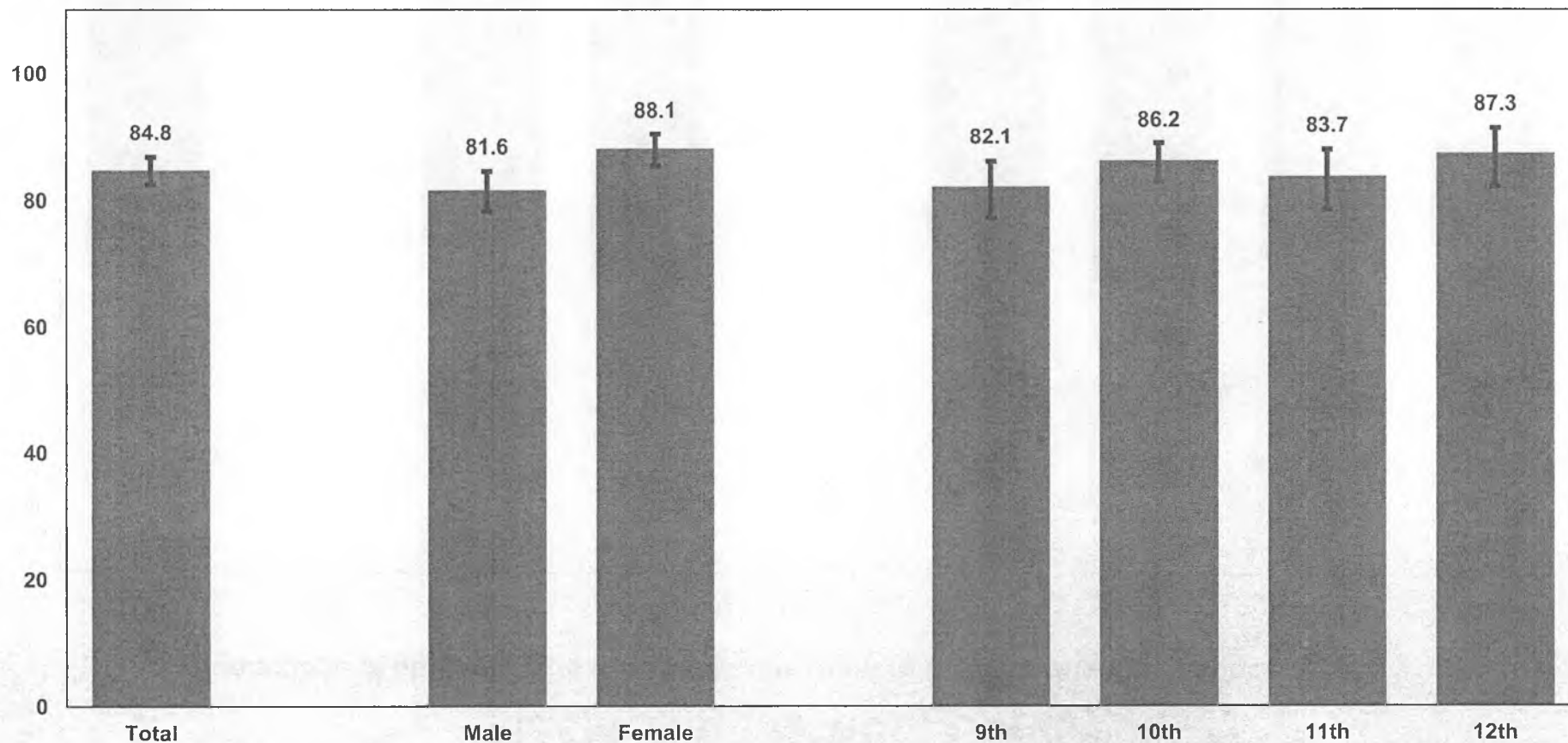
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who ate other vegetables one or more times during the past seven days



Q77 - Weighted Data

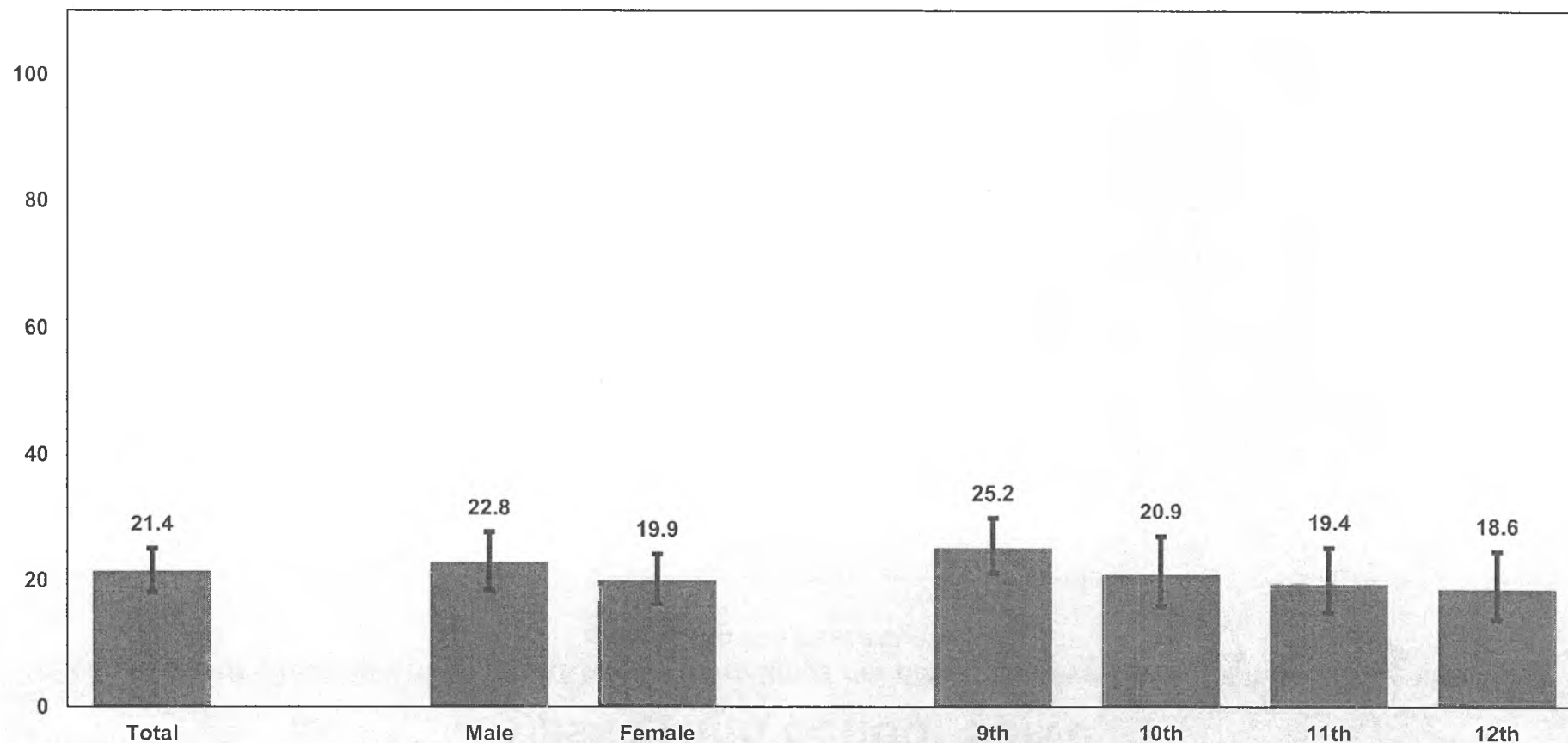
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who ate fruits and vegetables five or more times per day during the past seven days



QNFRVG - Weighted Data

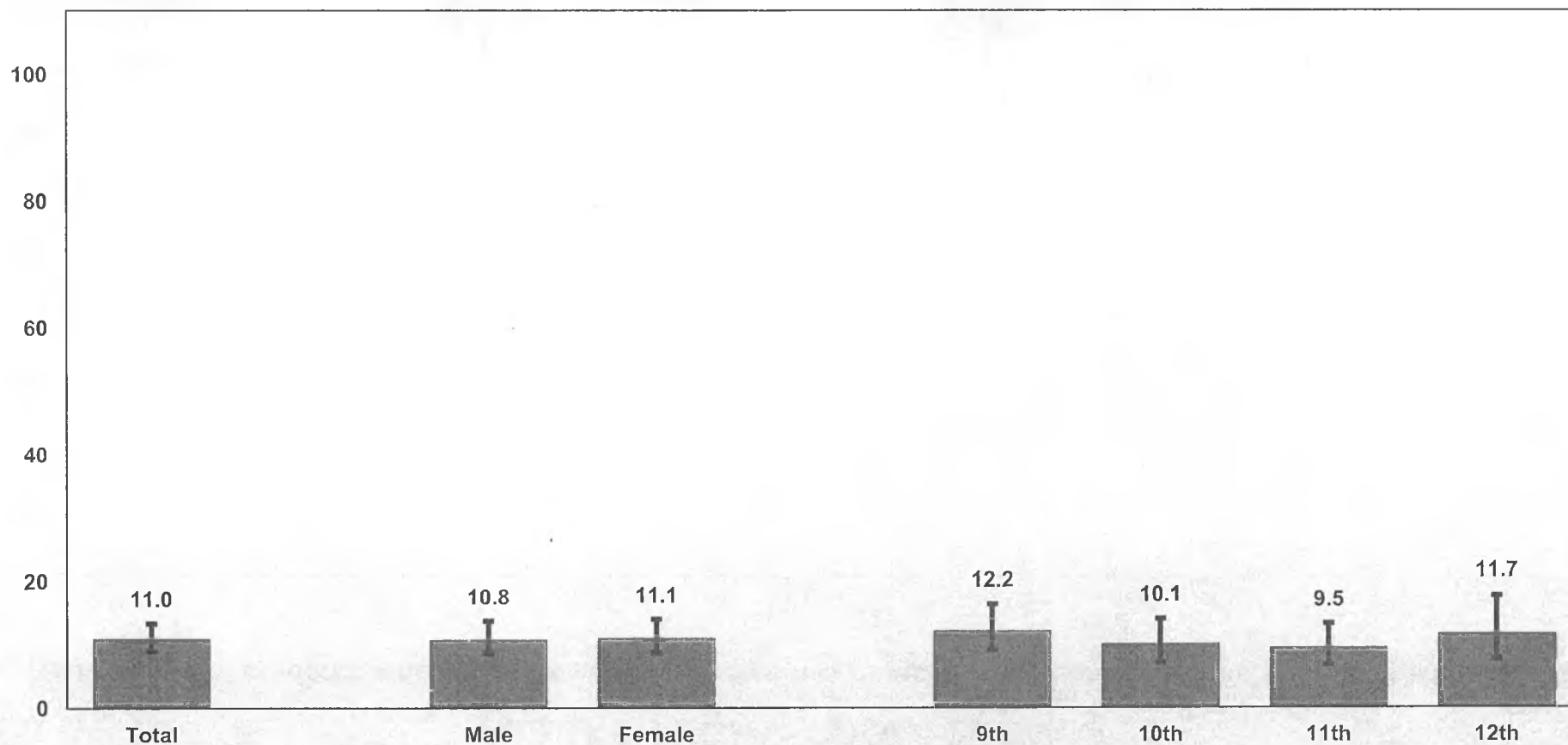
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who ate fruits two or more times per day and ate vegetables three or more times per day during the past seven days



QNFRVG2 - Weighted Data

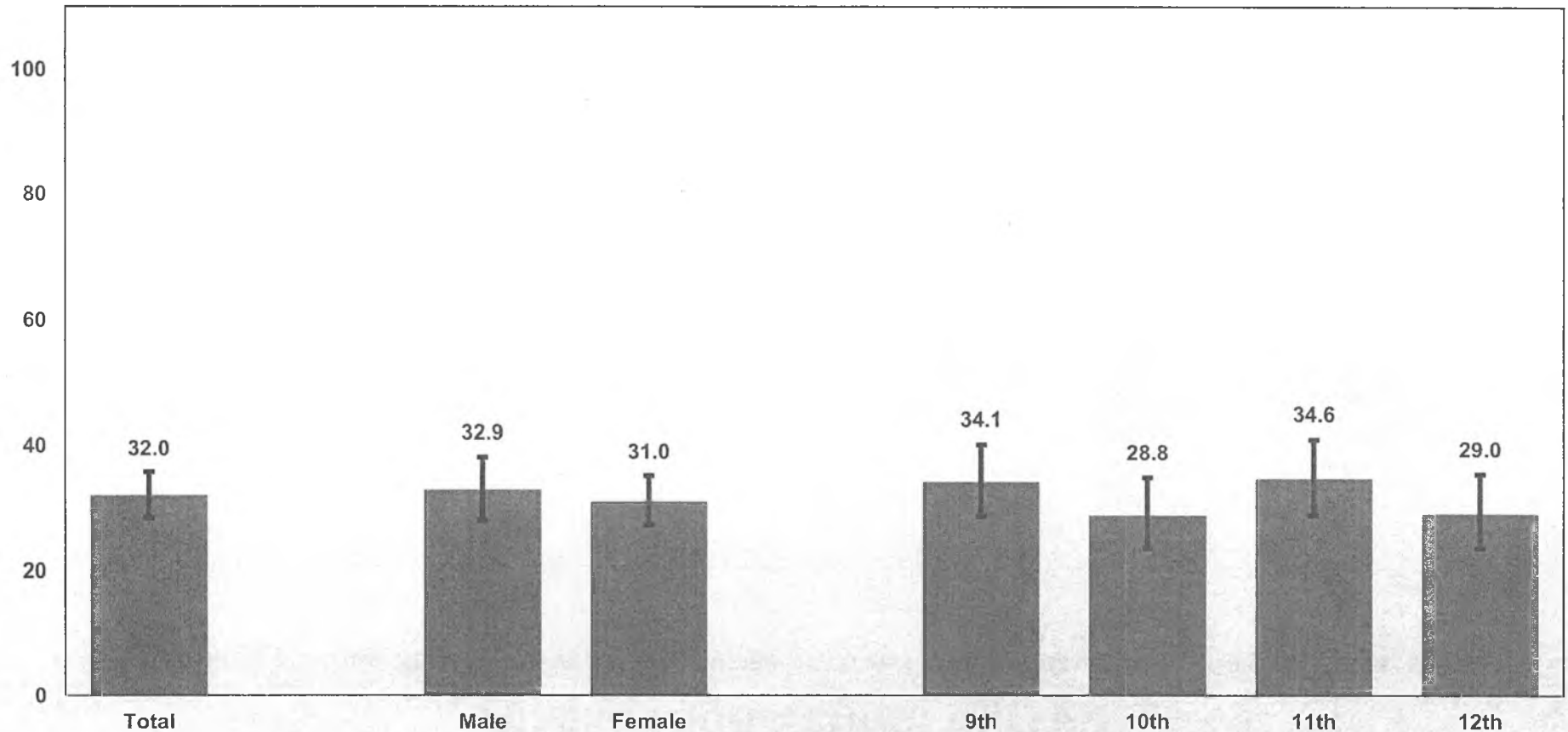
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who ate fruits two or more times per day during the past seven days



QNFRUIT - Weighted Data

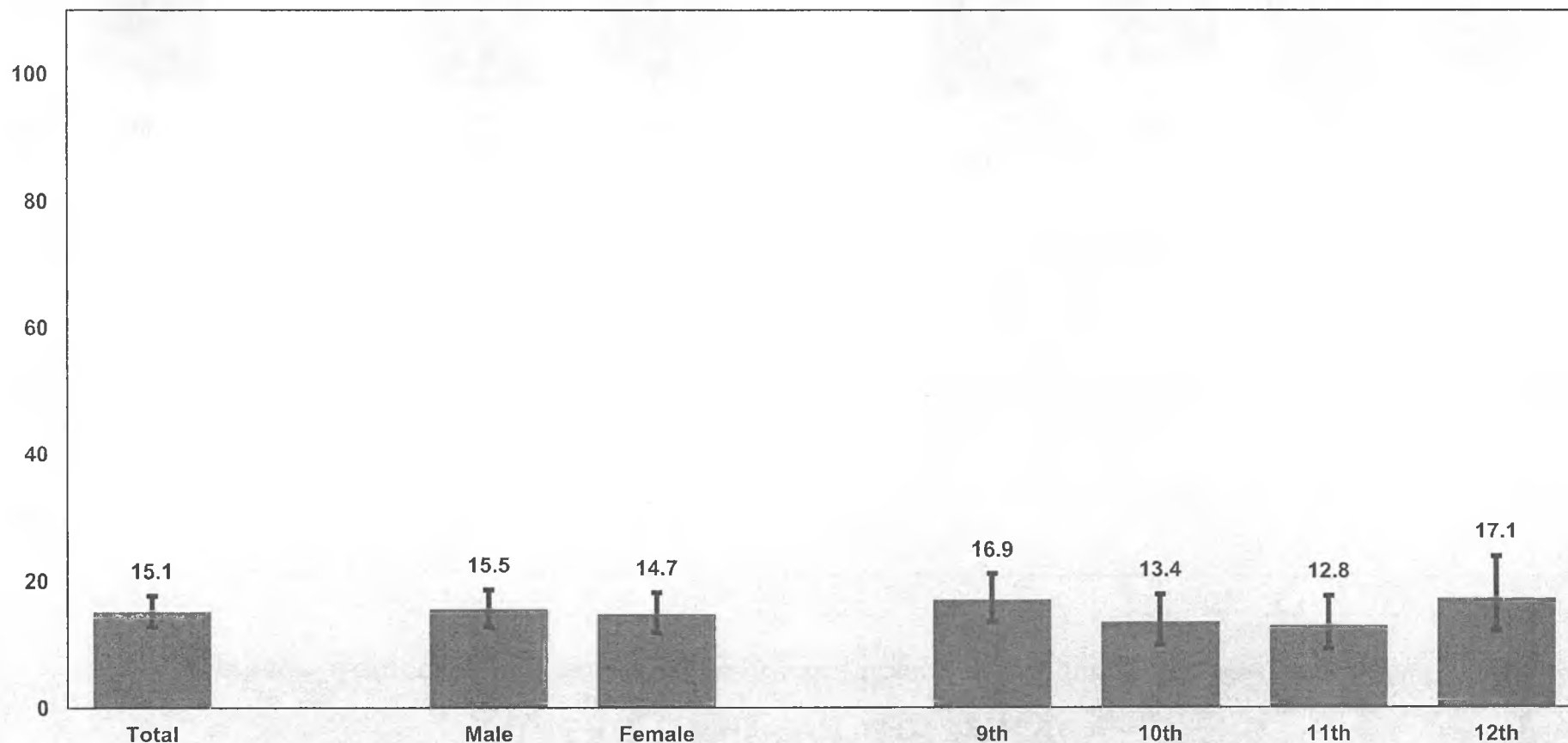
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who ate vegetables three or more times per day during the past seven days



QNVEG - Weighted Data

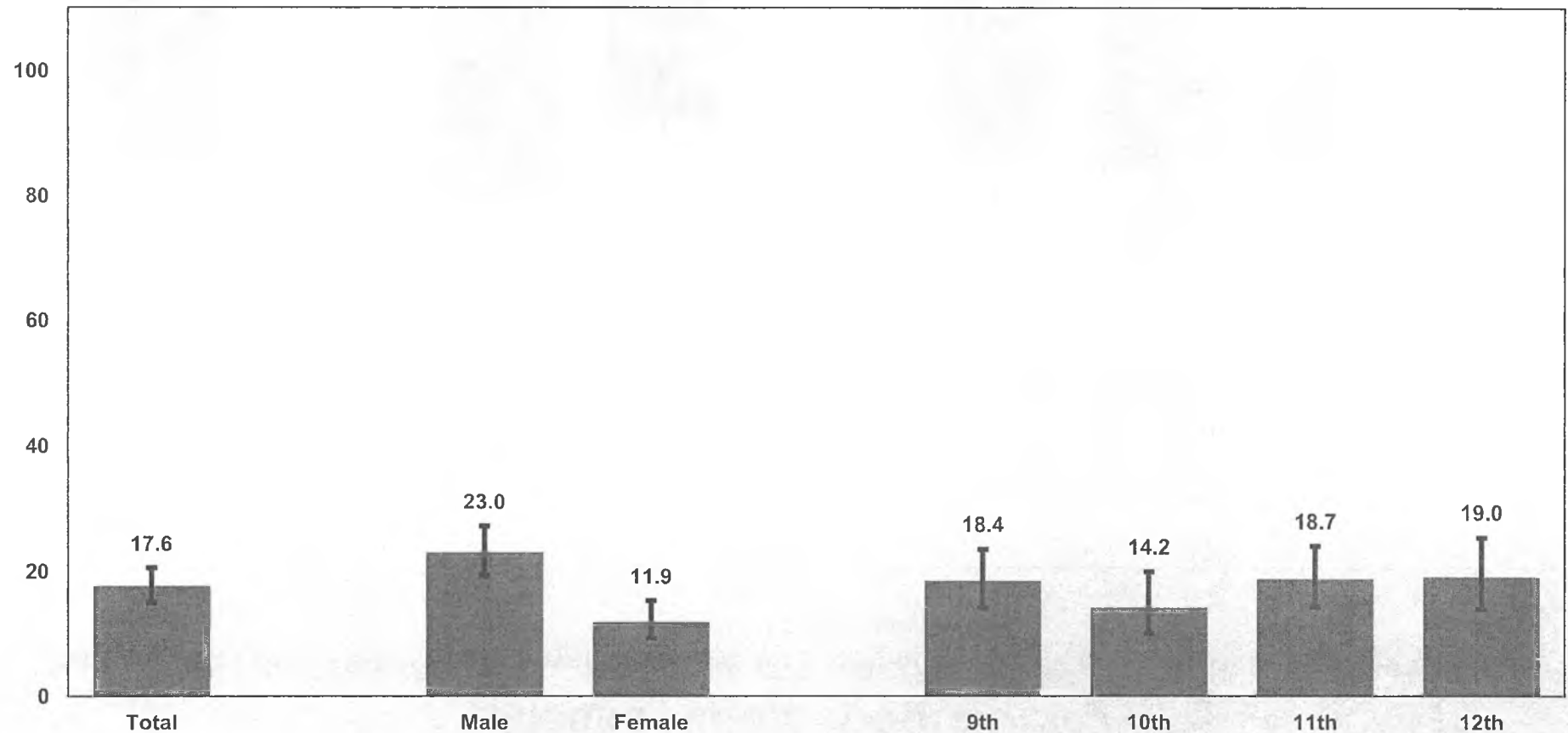
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who drank a can, bottle, or glass of soda or pop one or more times per day during the past seven days



Q78 - Weighted Data

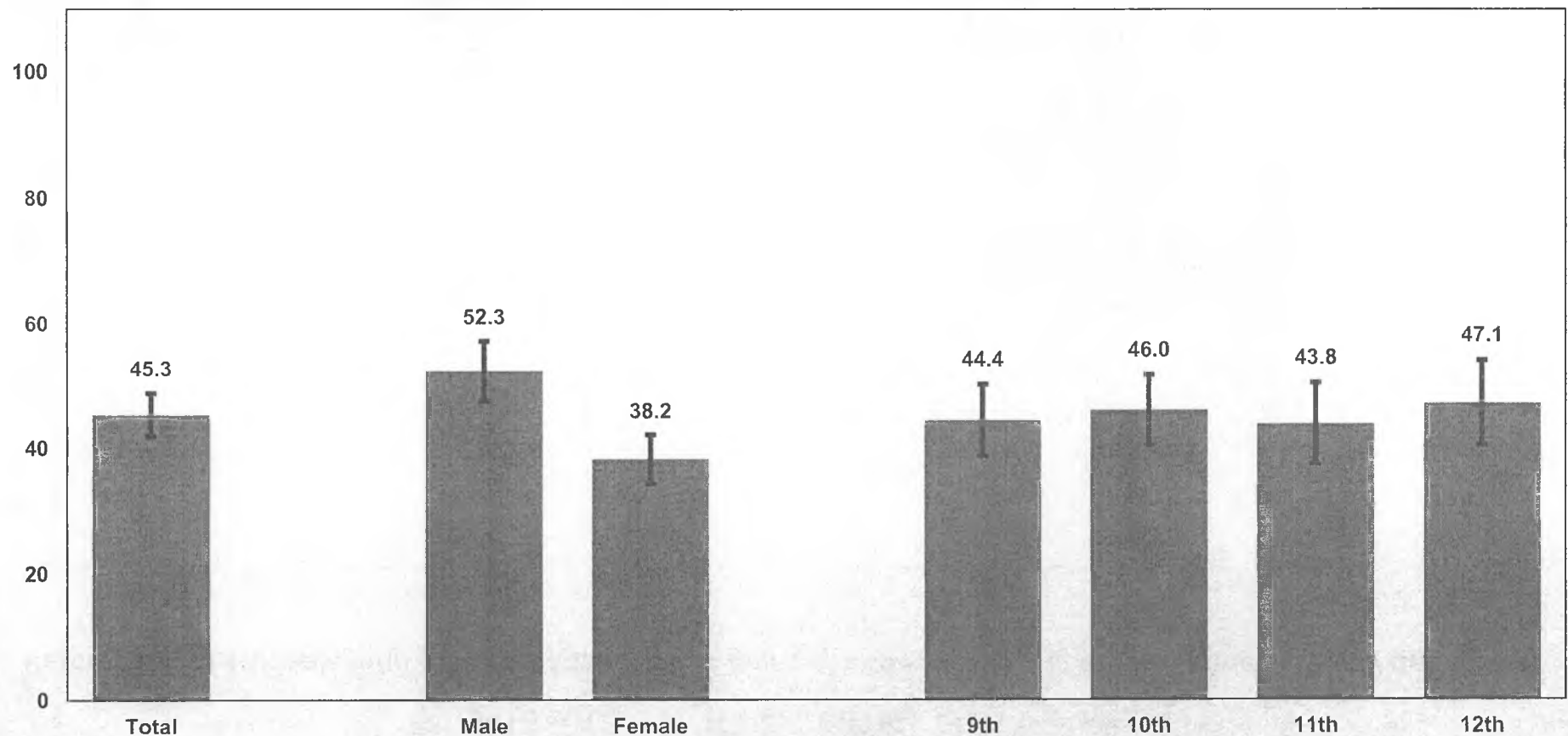
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who were physically active for a total of at least 60 minutes per day on five or more of the past seven days



Q79 - Weighted Data

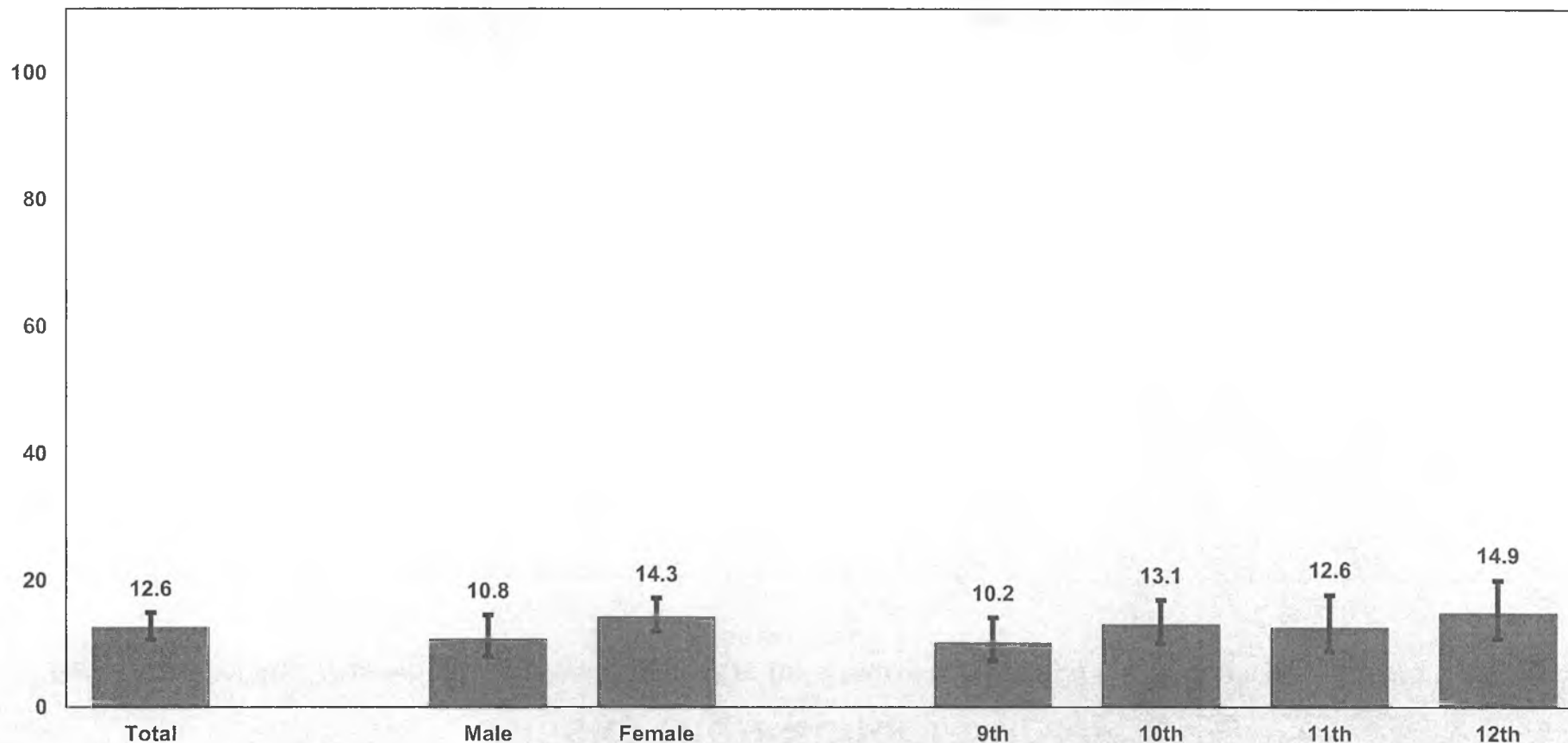
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who were physically active for a total of at least 60 minutes per day on 0 of the past seven days



QNPA0DAY - Weighted Data

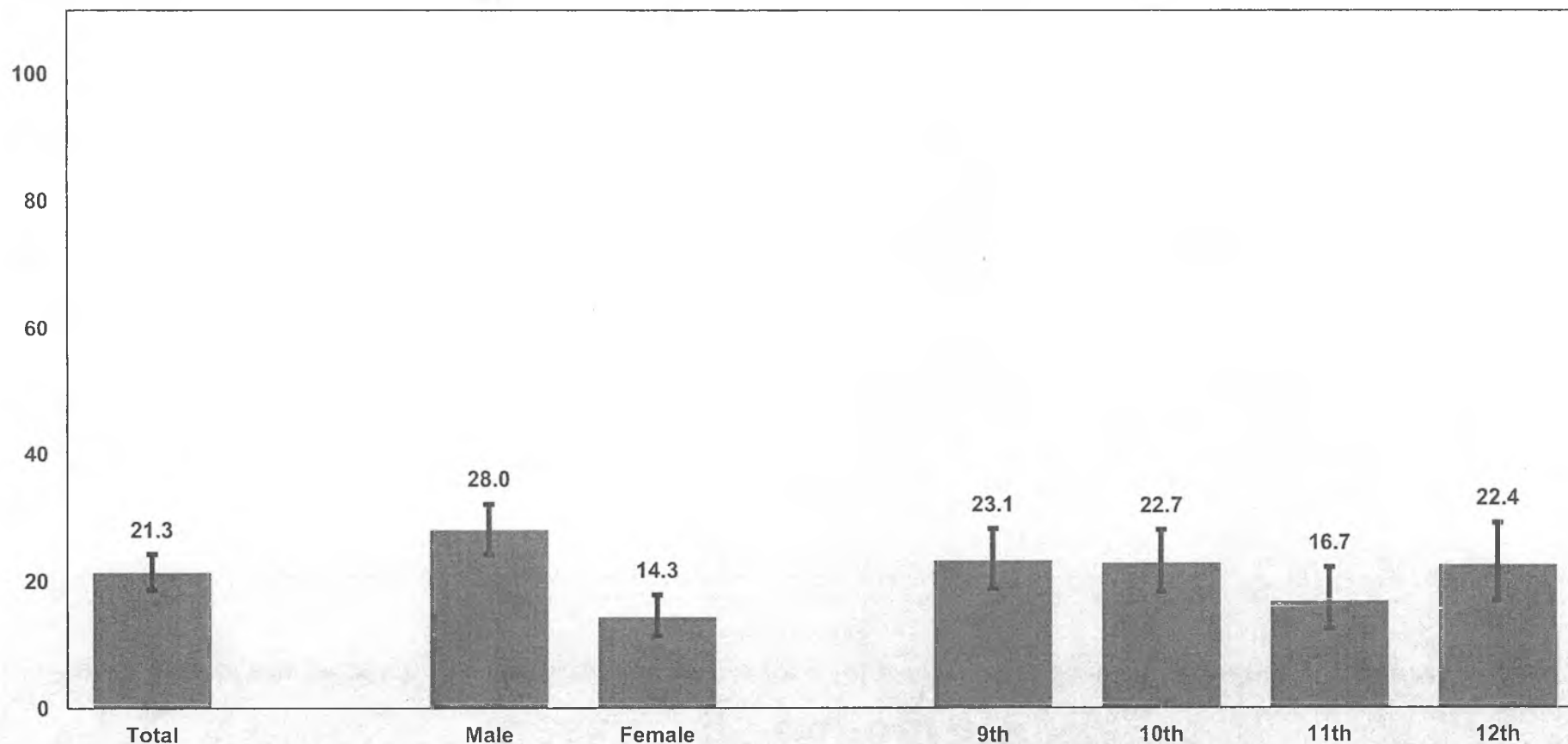
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who were physically active for a total of at least 60 minutes per day on 7 of the past seven days



QNPA7DAY - Weighted Data

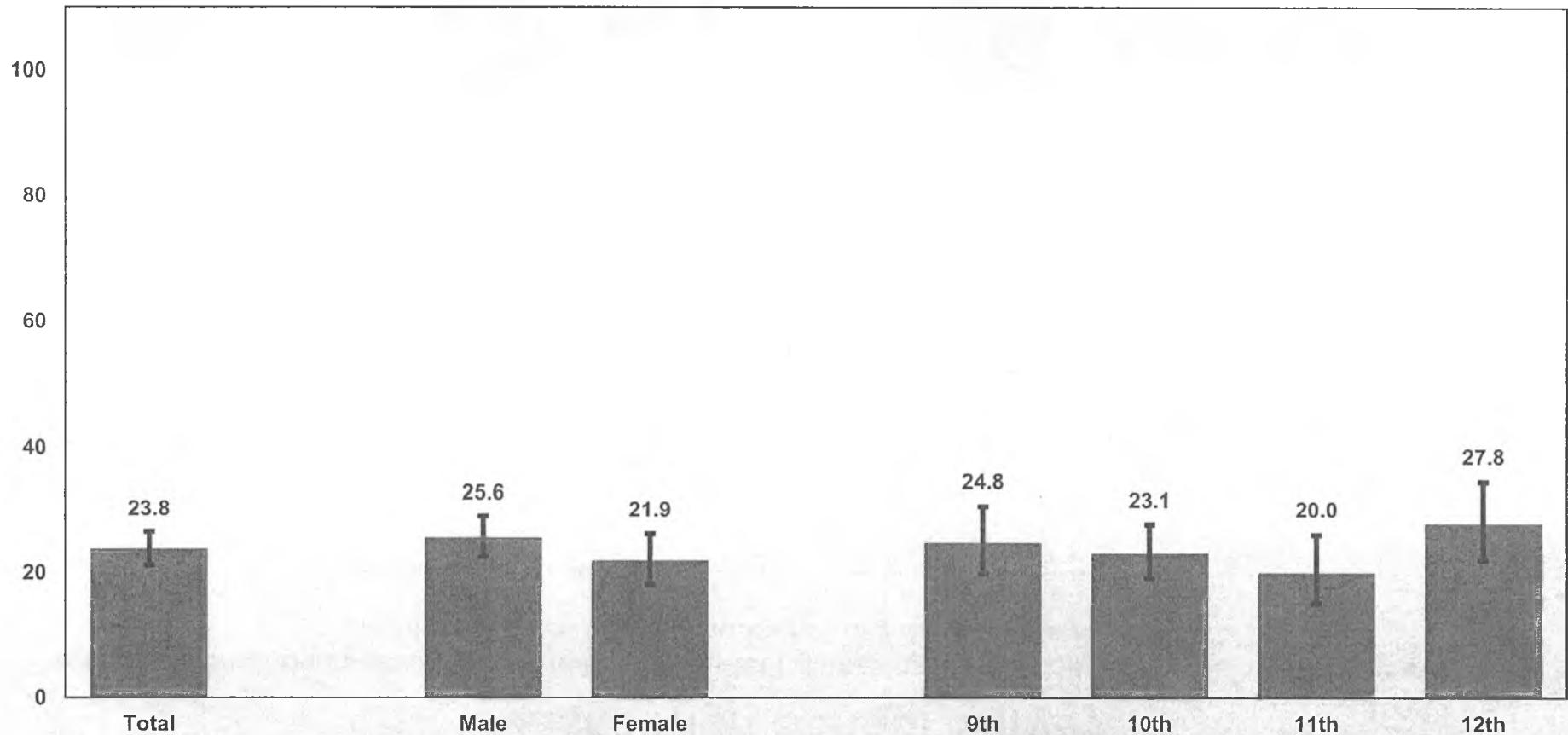
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who watched three or more hours per day of TV on an average school day



Q80 - Weighted Data

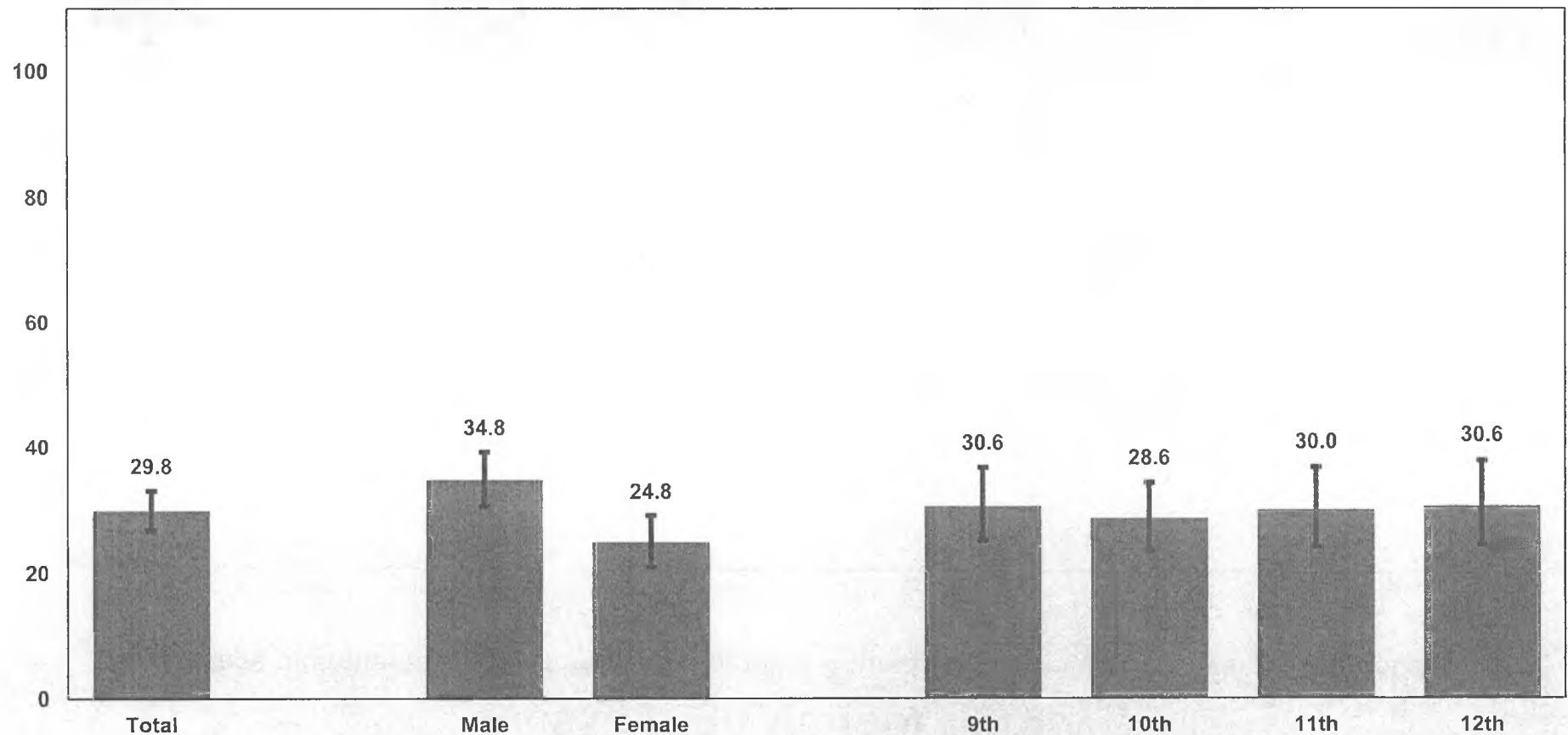
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who played video or computer games or used a computer for something that was not school work three or more hours per day on an average school day



Q81 - Weighted Data

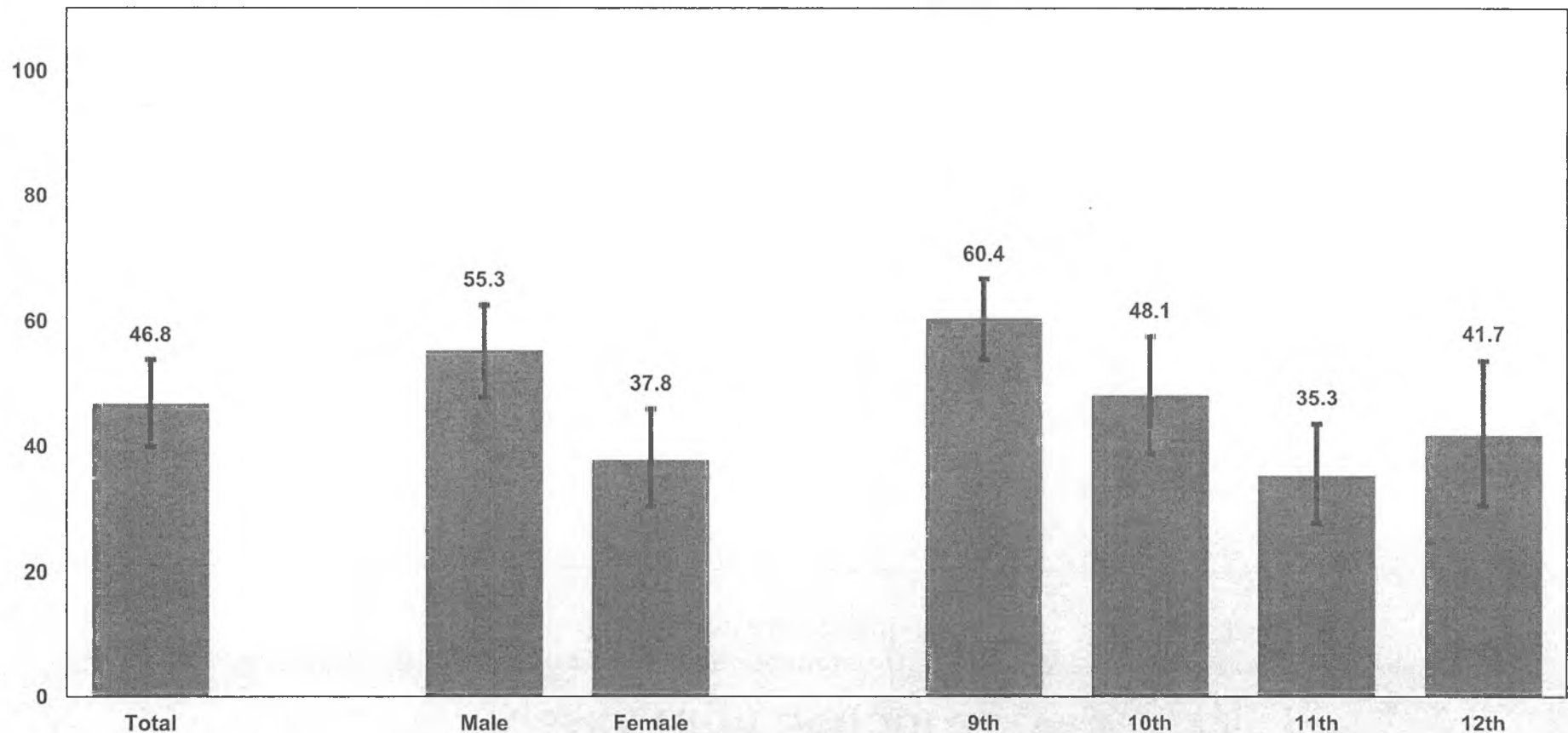
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who attended physical education (PE) classes on one or more days in an average week when they were in school



Q82 - Weighted Data

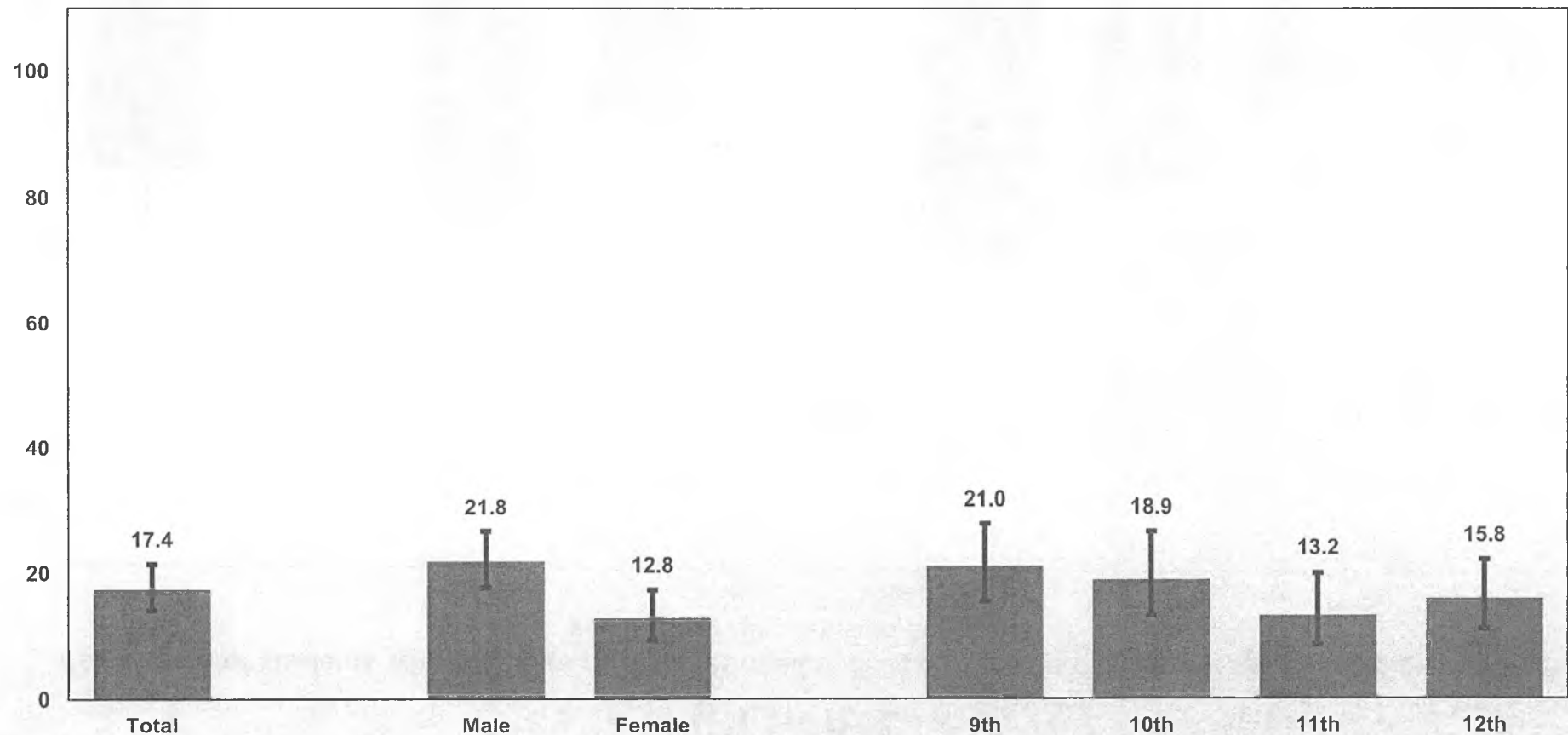
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who attended physical education (PE) classes daily in an average week when they were in school



QNDLYPE - Weighted Data

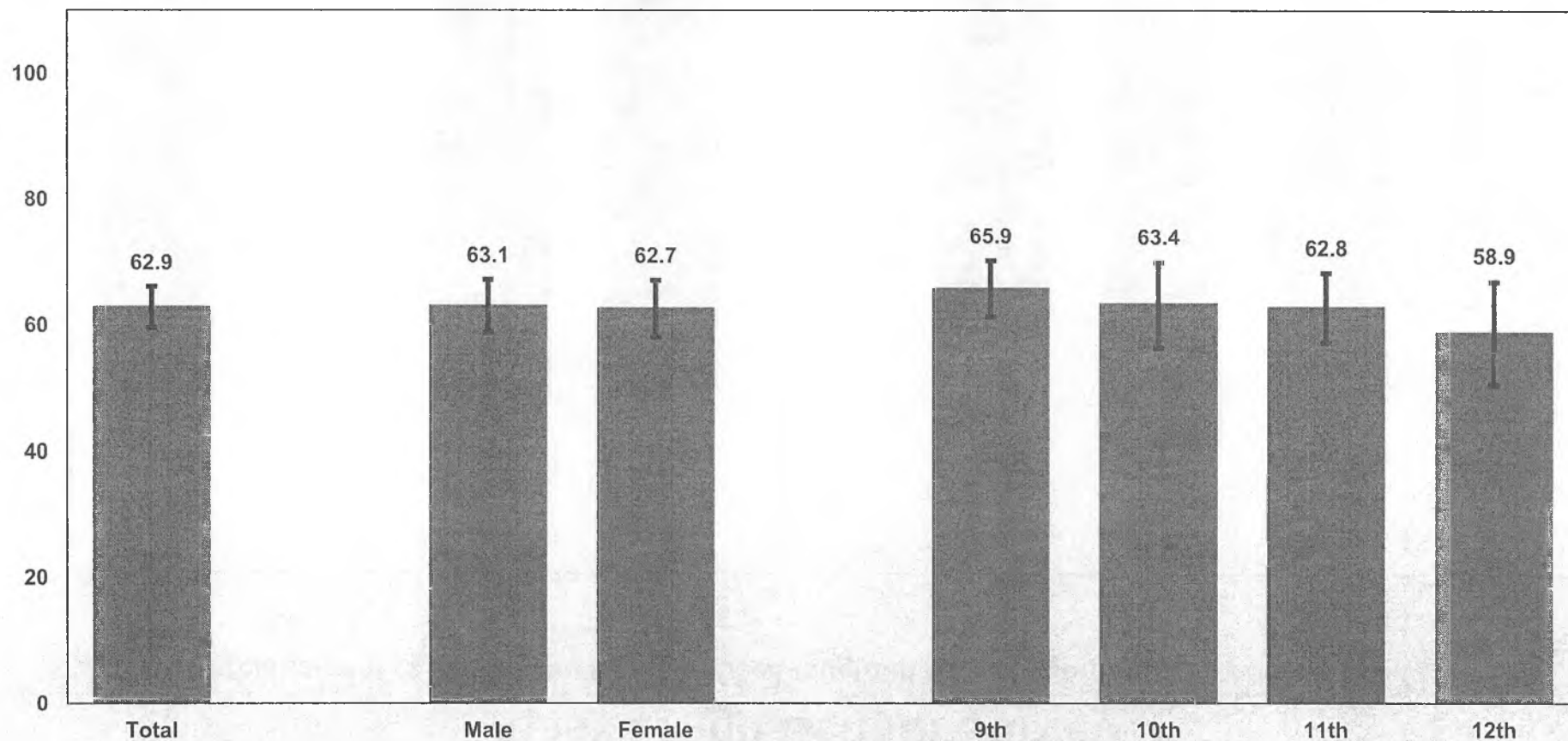
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who played on one or more sports teams during the past 12 months



Q83 - Weighted Data

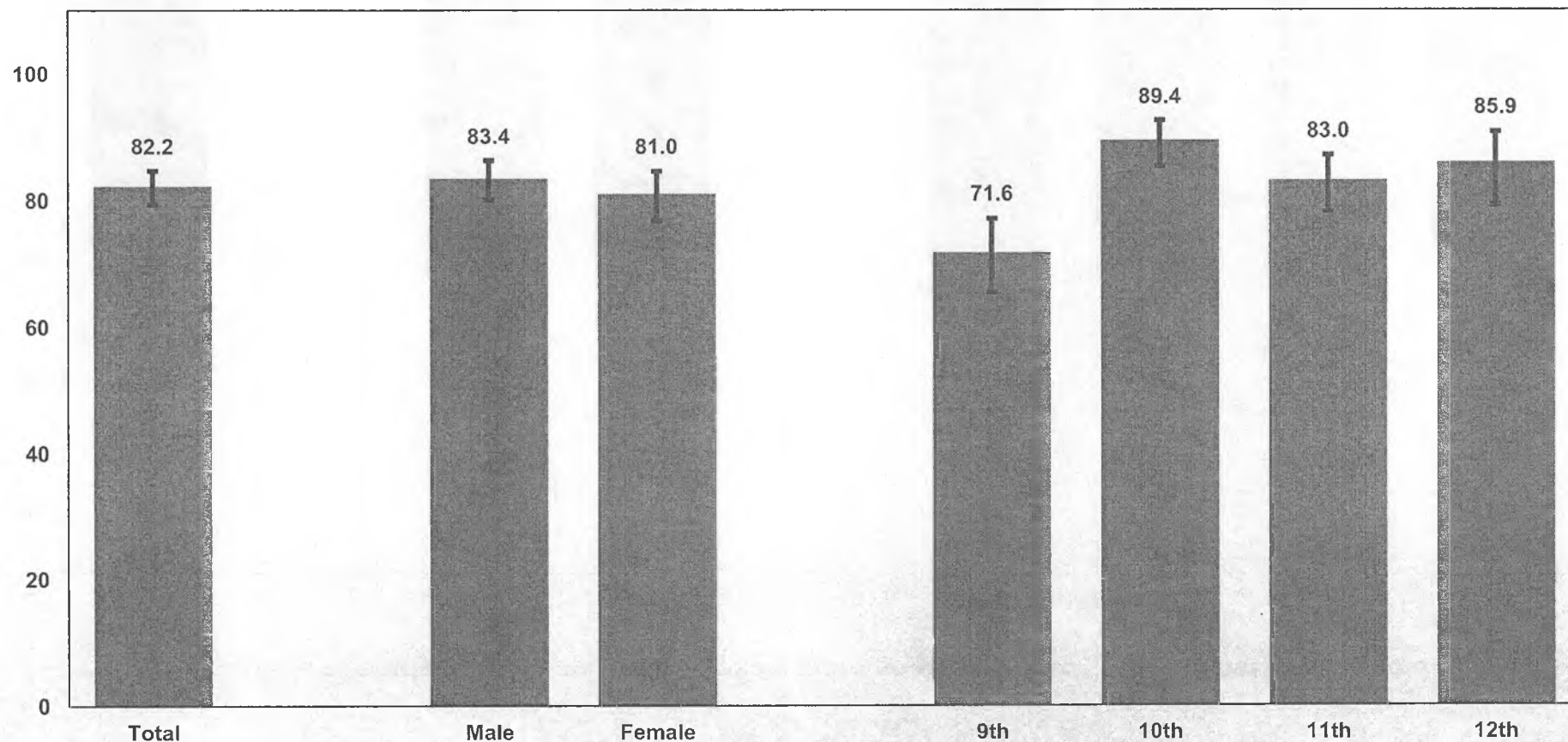
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who had ever been taught in school about AIDS or HIV infection



Q84 - Weighted Data

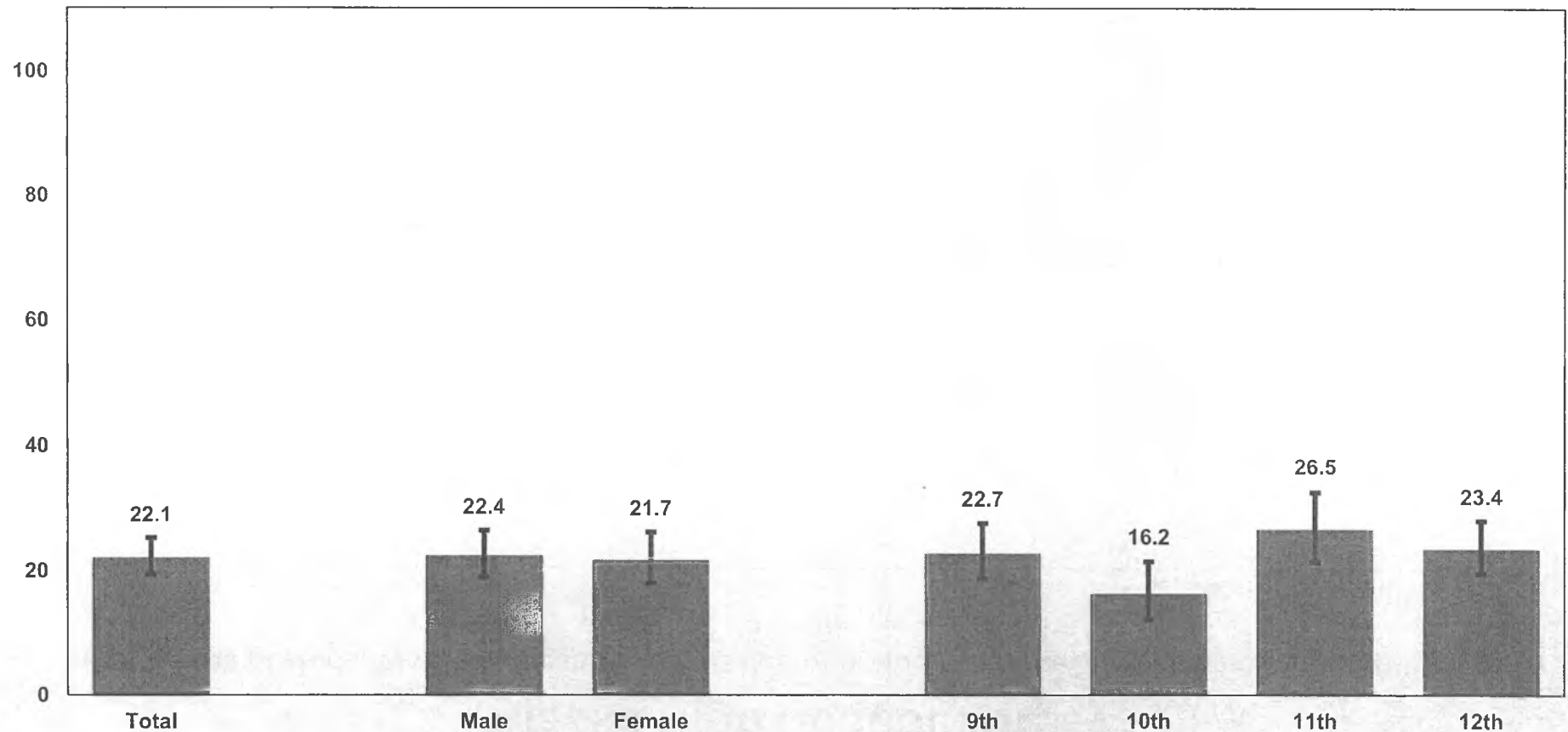
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who had ever been told by a doctor or nurse that they had asthma



Q85 - Weighted Data

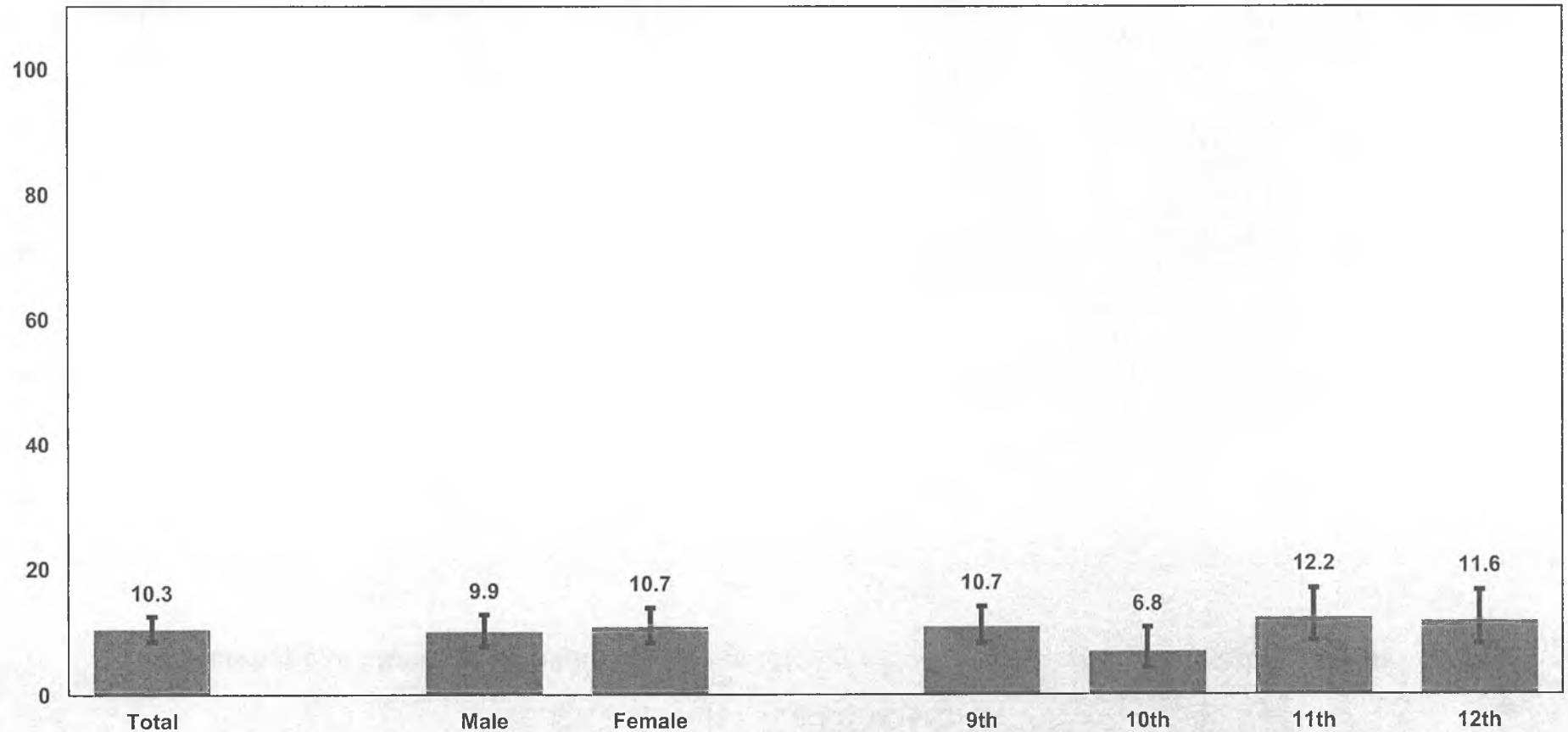
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who had been told by a doctor or nurse that they had asthma and who still have asthma



Q86 - Weighted Data

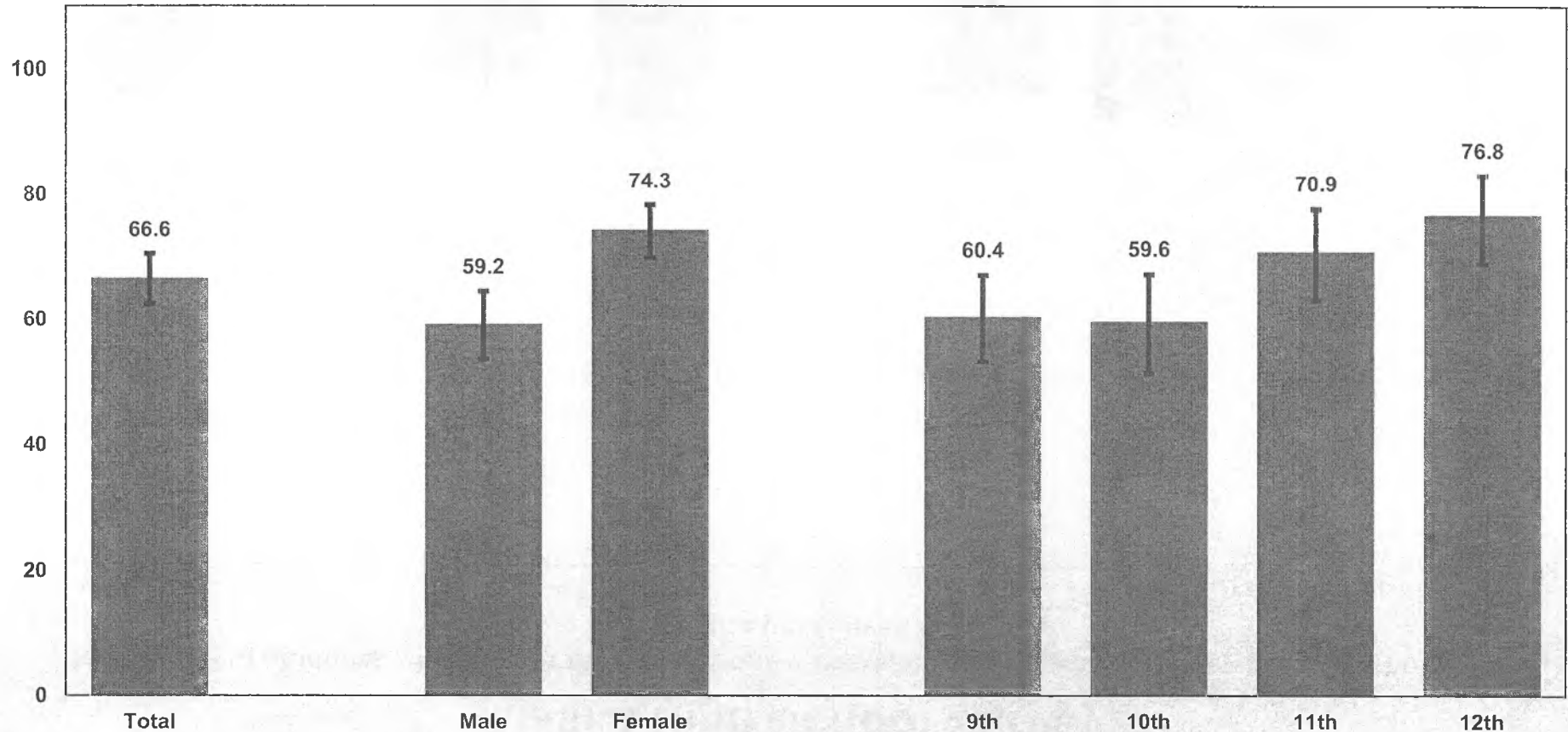
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who would describe their grades in school as mostly A's or B's during the past 12 months



Q87 - Weighted Data

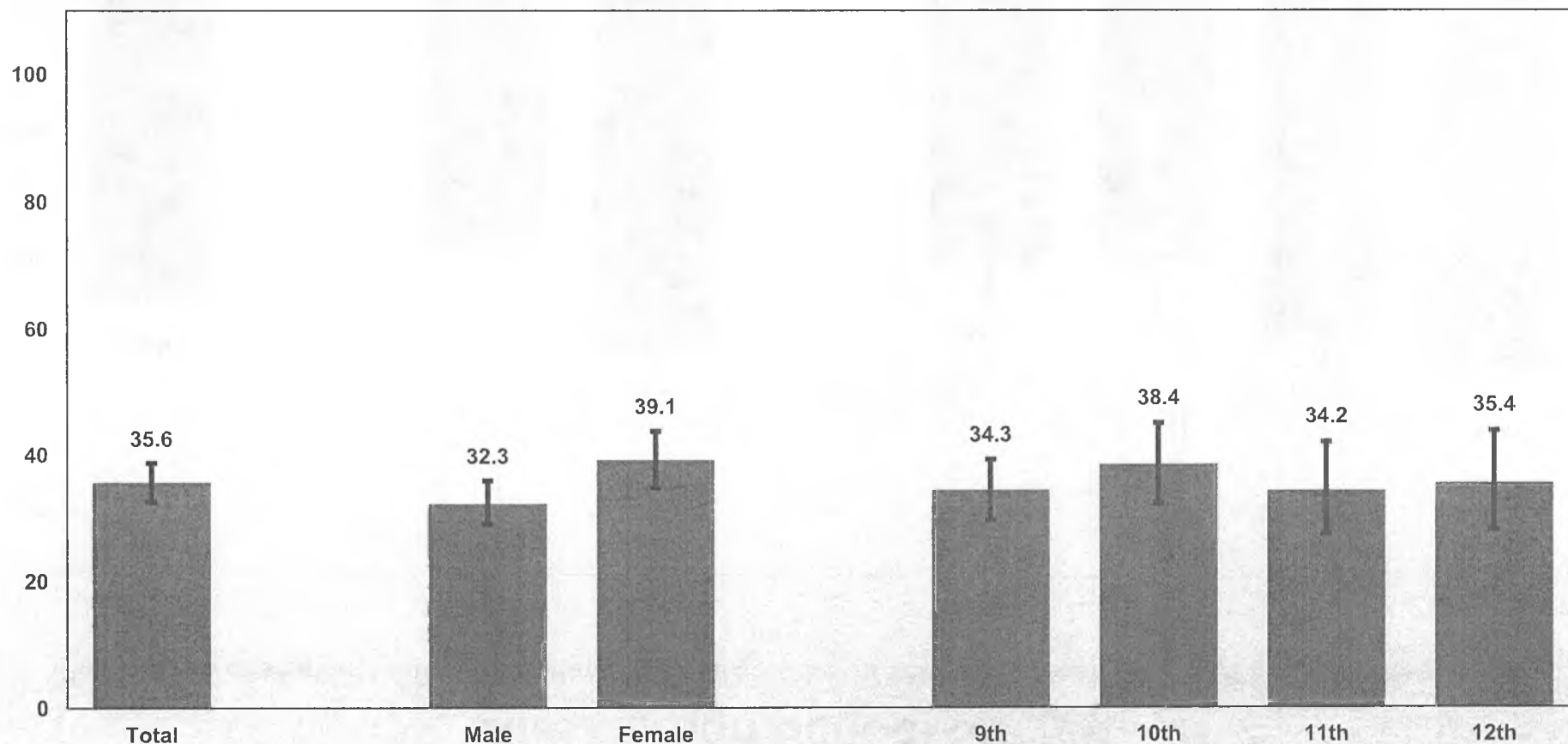
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who were in the same room with someone who was smoking cigarettes on one or more of the past seven days



Q88 - Weighted Data

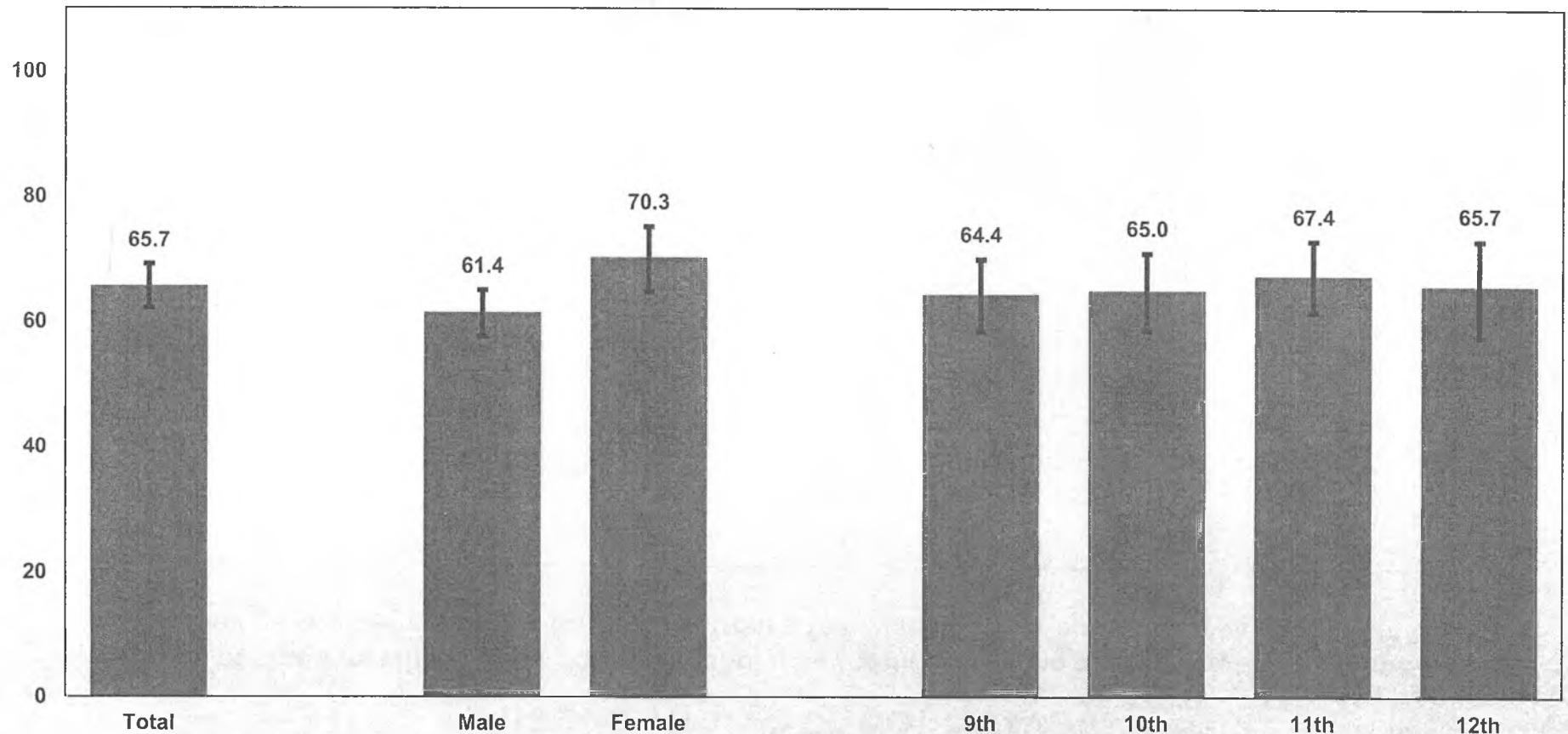
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who think people greatly risk harming themselves (physically or in other ways), if they smoke one or more packs of cigarettes per day



Q89 - Weighted Data

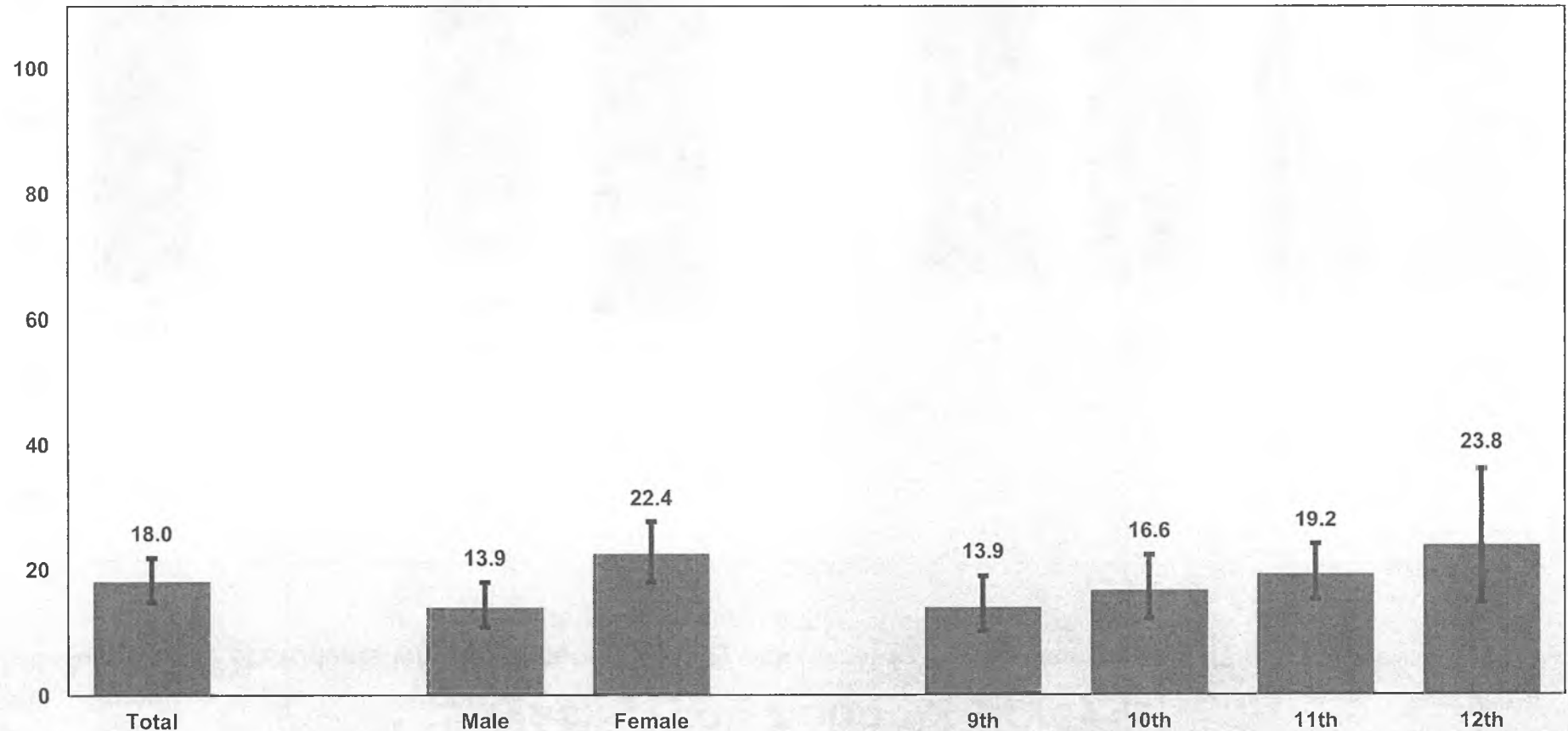
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who usually got the alcohol they drank during the past 30 days from someone else whom they gave money to buy it for them or from a family member or someone else giving it to them



Q90 - Weighted Data

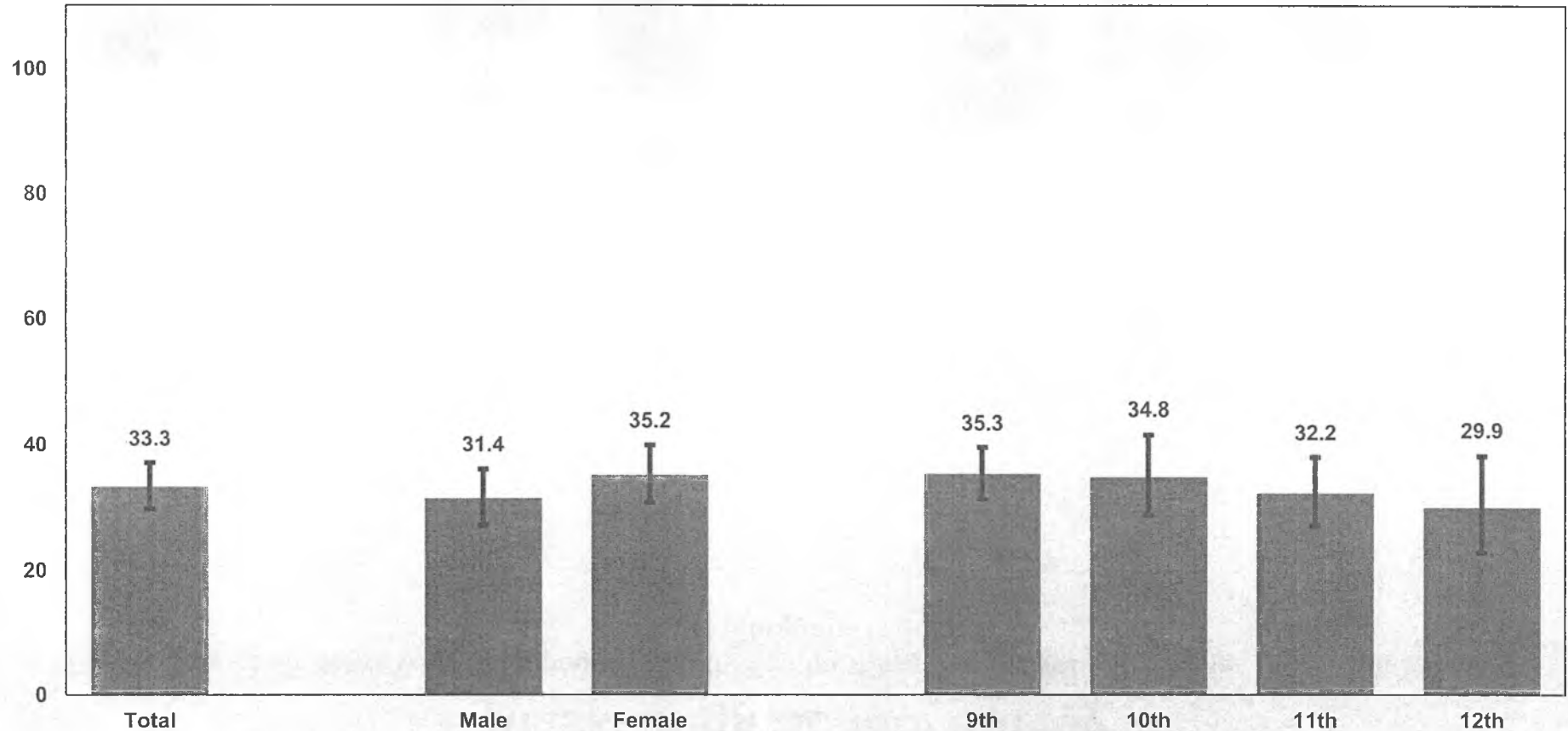
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who think people greatly risk harming themselves (physically or in other ways) if they have one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day



Q91 - Weighted Data

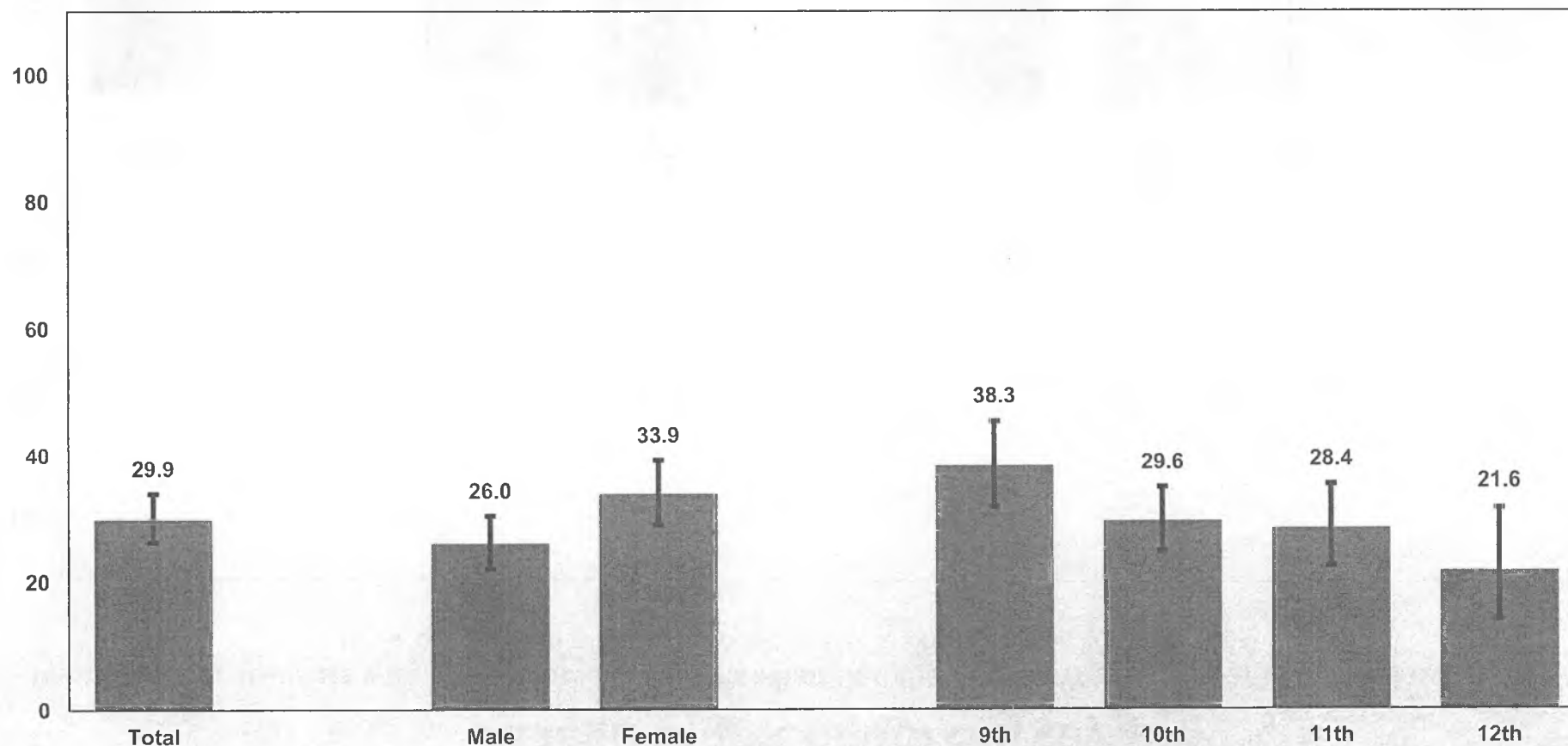
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who think people greatly risk harming themselves (physically or in other ways), if they use marijuana regularly



Q92 - Weighted Data

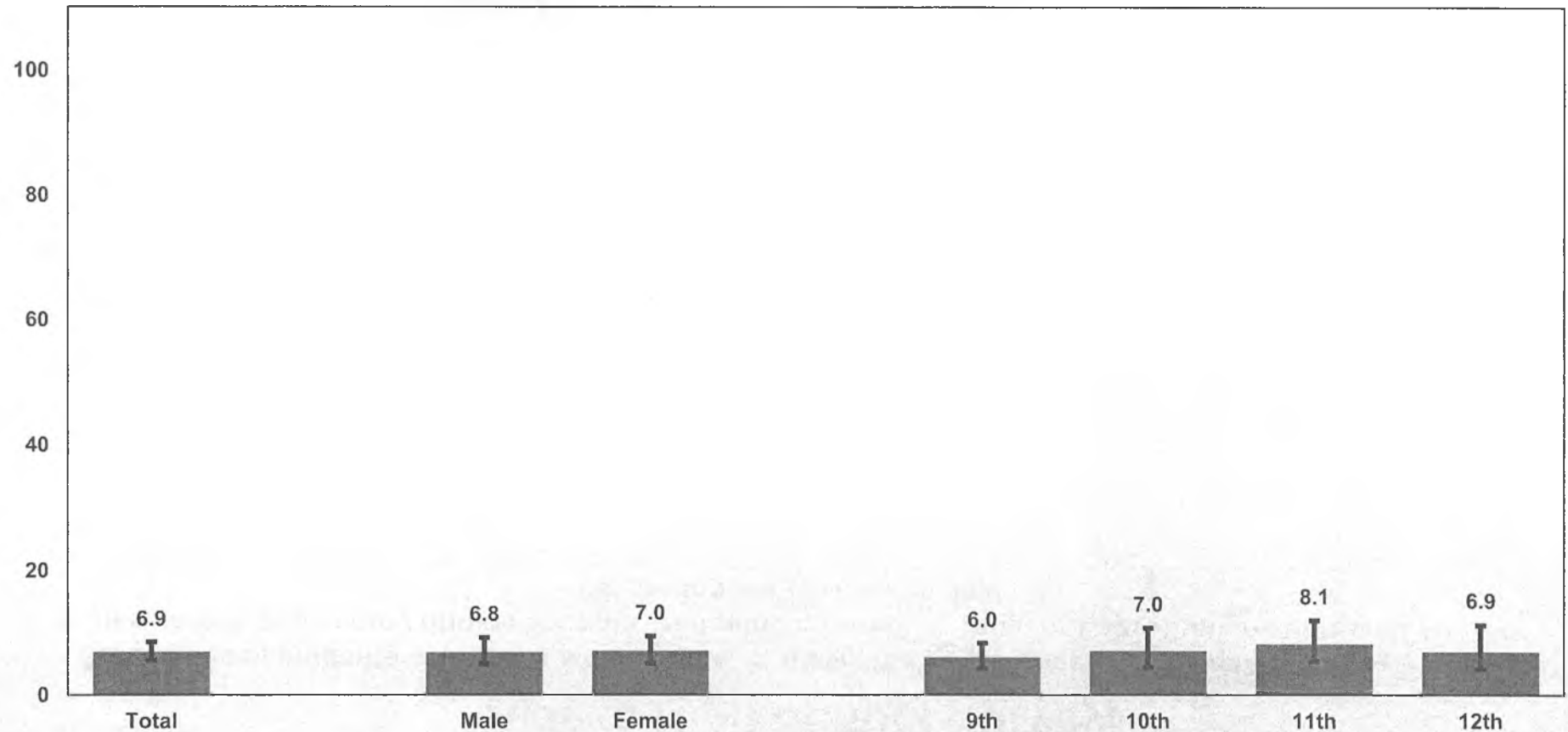
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who took a prescription drug without a doctor's prescription one or more times during the past 30 days



Q93 - Weighted Data

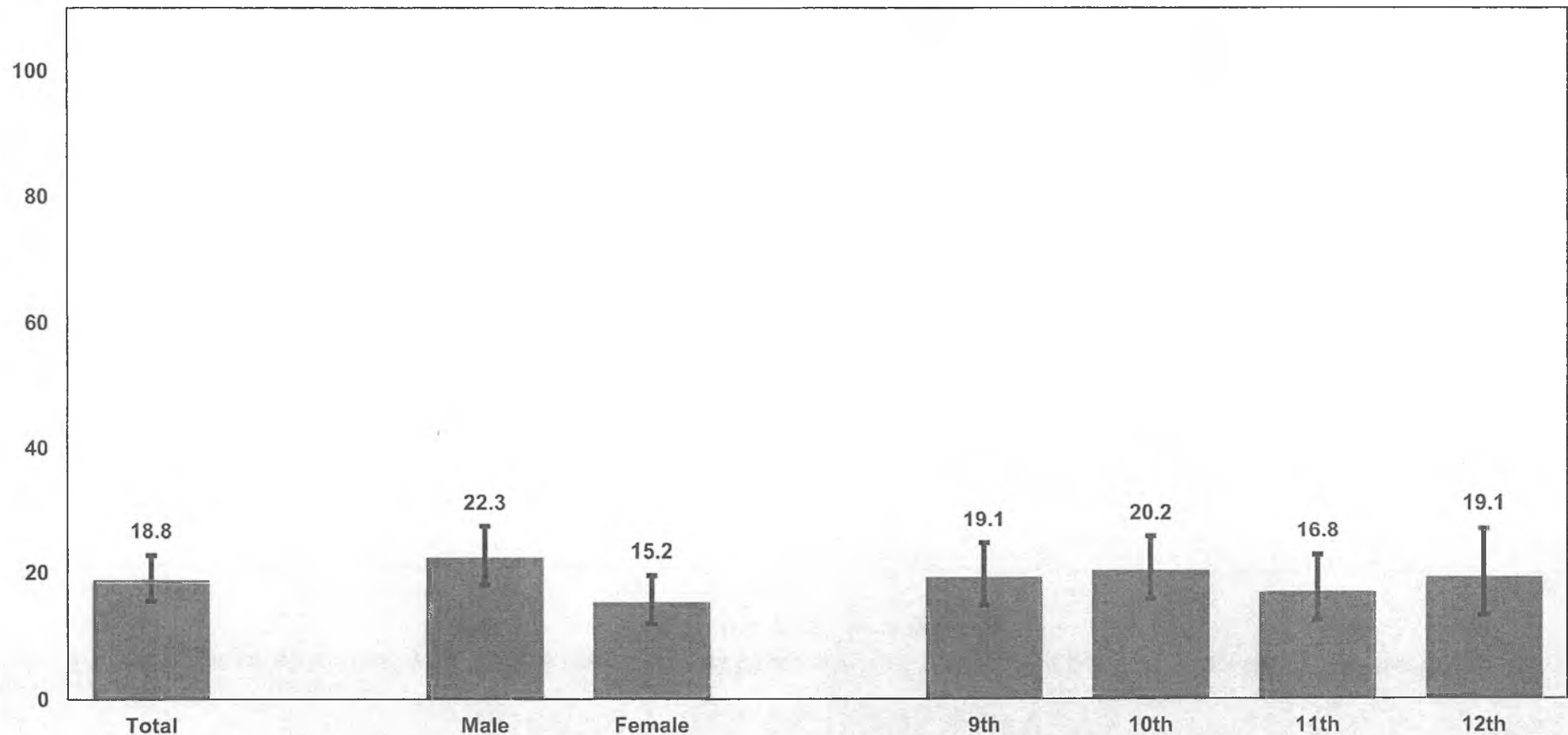
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who drank a can, bottle, or glass of a sugar-sweetened beverage such as sports drinks, sweetened energy drinks, Snapple, fruit punch, Kool-Aid, Tang, or Capri-Sun one or more times per day during the past seven days



Q94 - Weighted Data

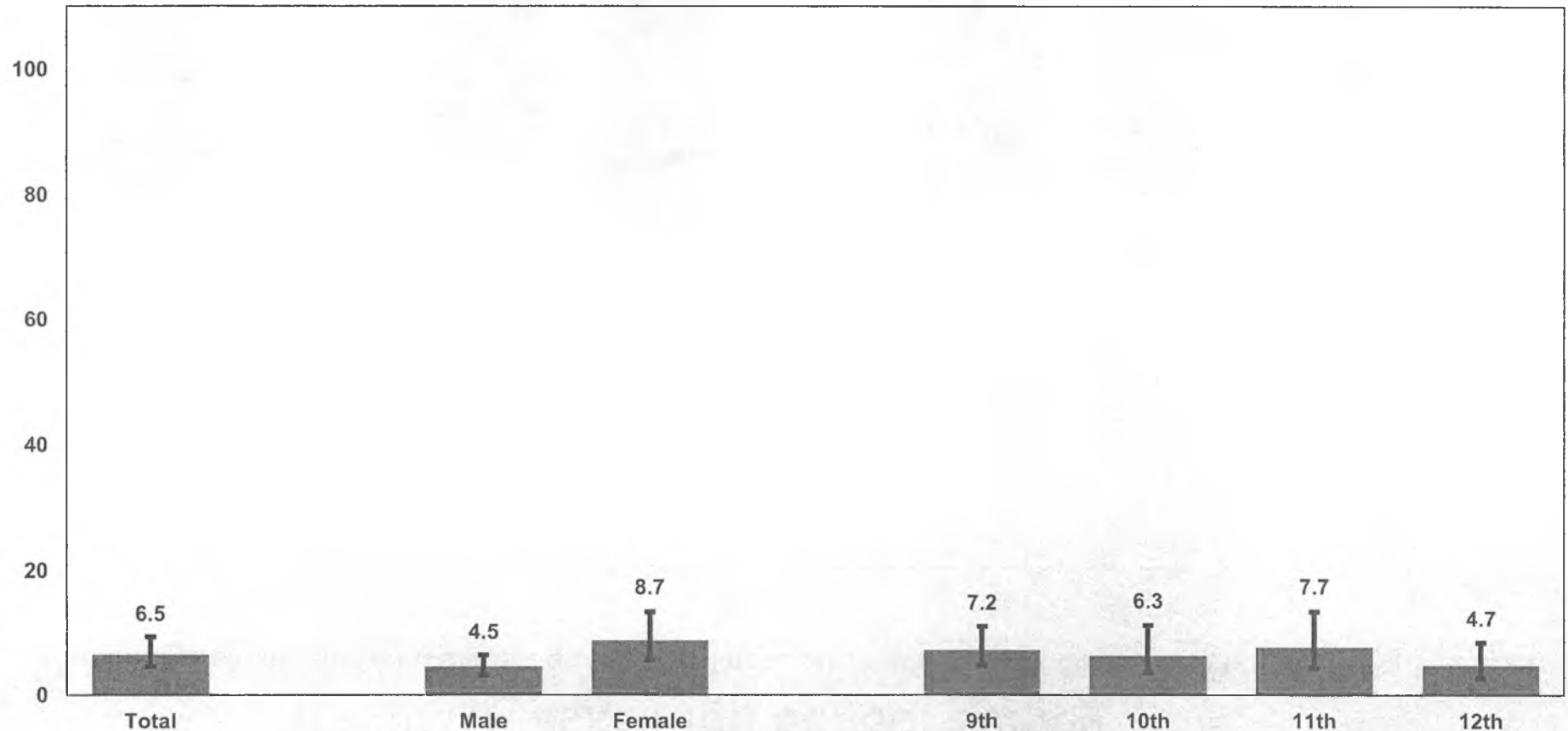
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who spend no more than 20 minutes actually exercising or playing sports during an average physical education (PE) class



Q95 - Weighted Data

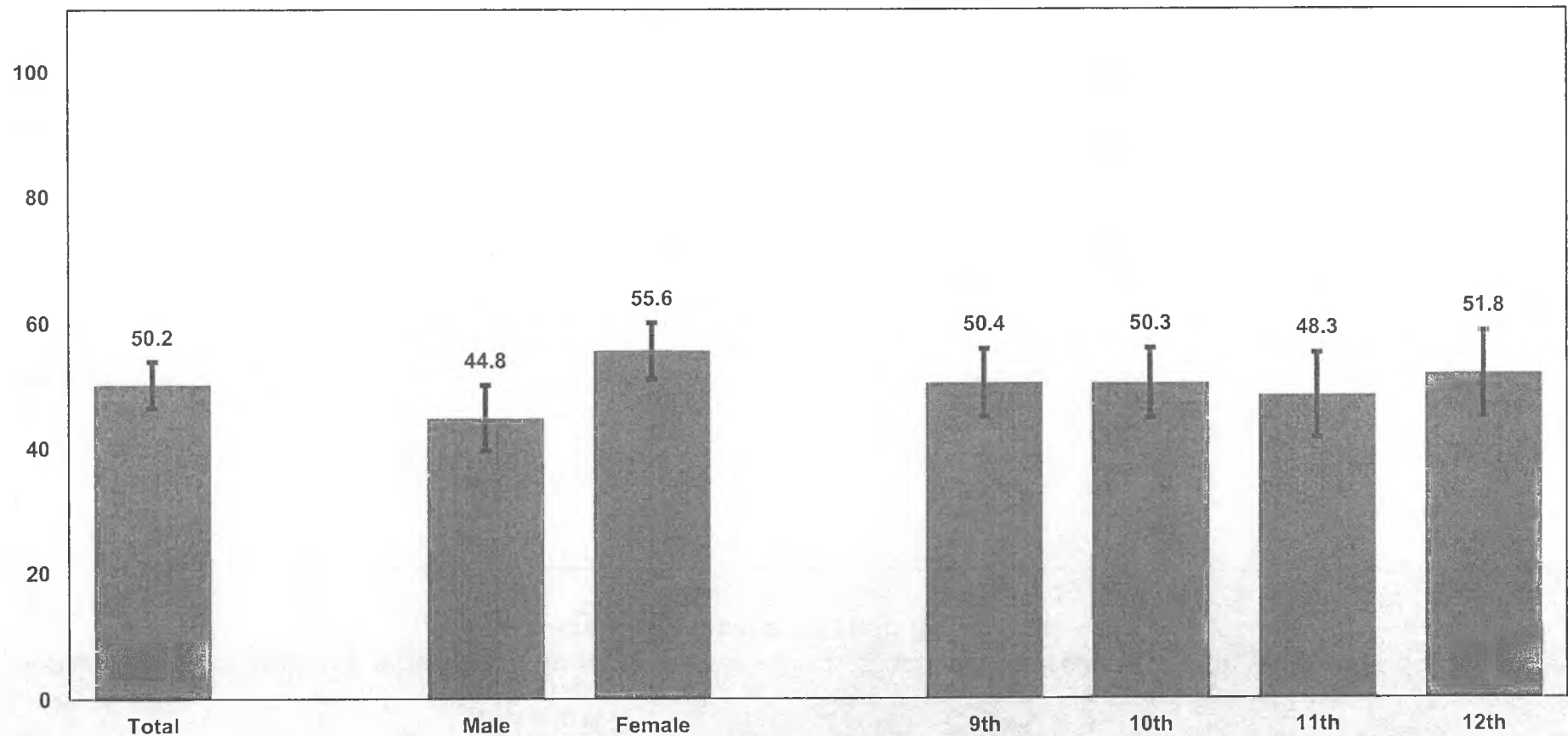
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who did not go to school because they were sick on one or more of the past 30 days



Q96 - Weighted Data

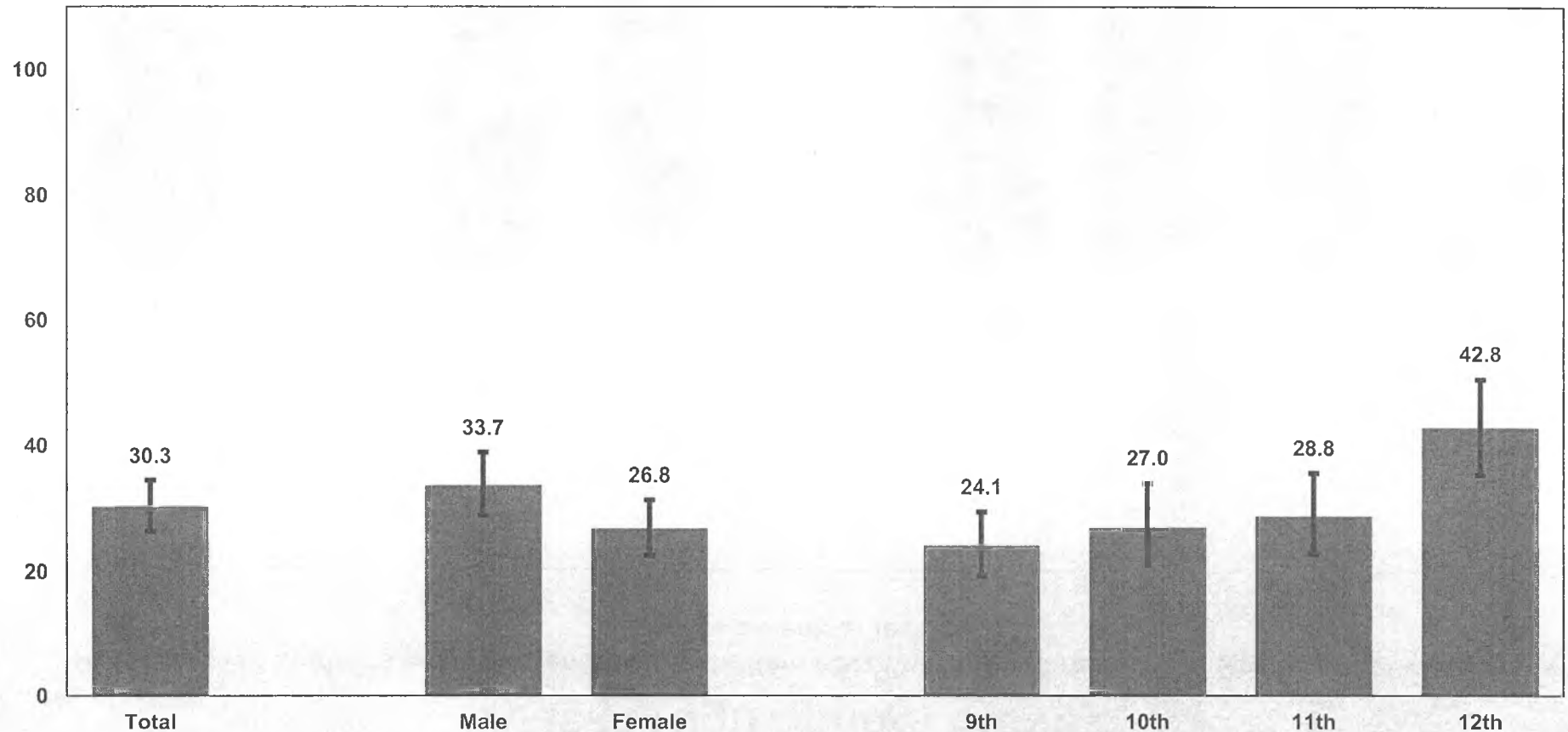
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who missed classes or school without permission on one or more of the past 30 days



Q97 - Weighted Data

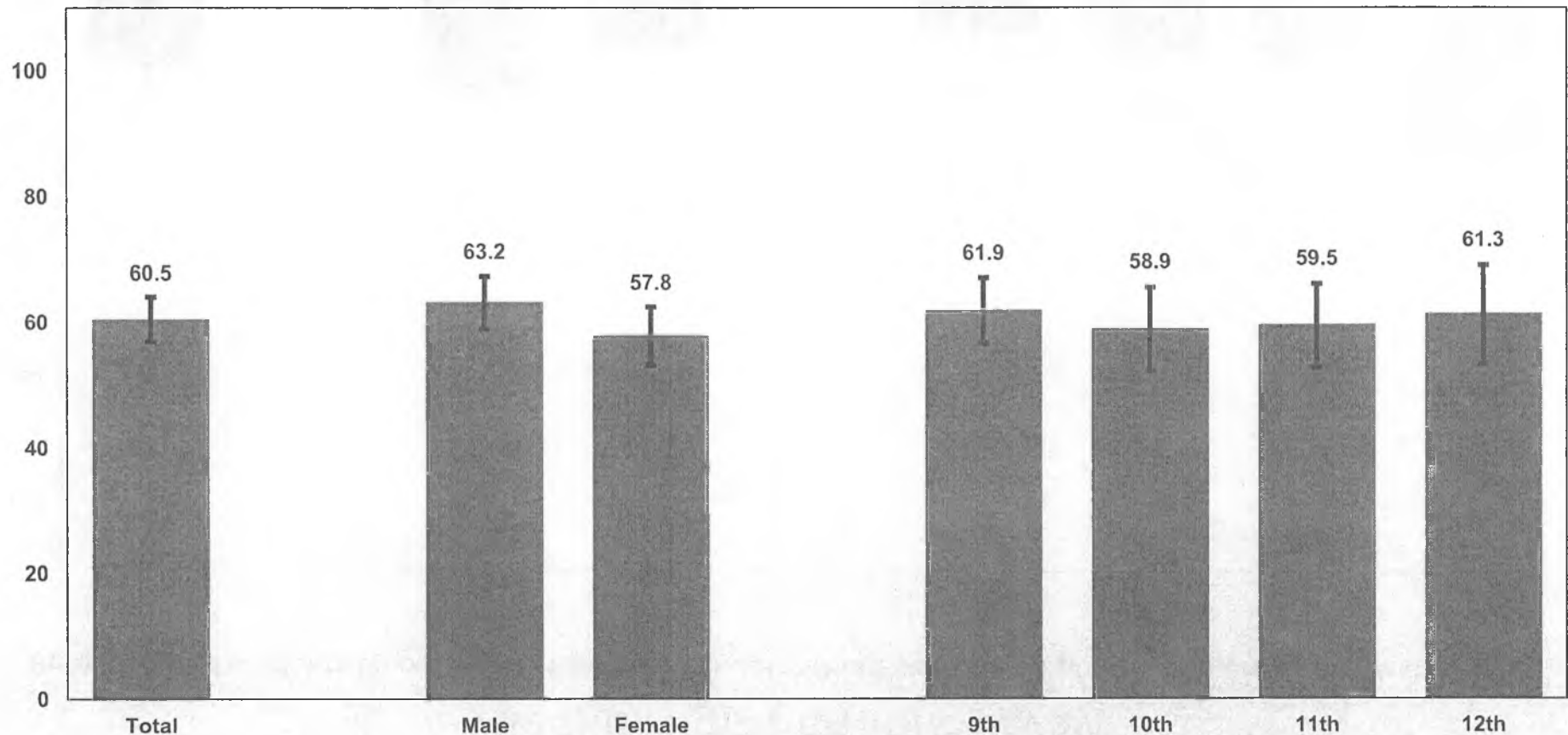
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students whose parent talks with them about what they are doing in school about once or twice a week or less



Q98 - Weighted Data

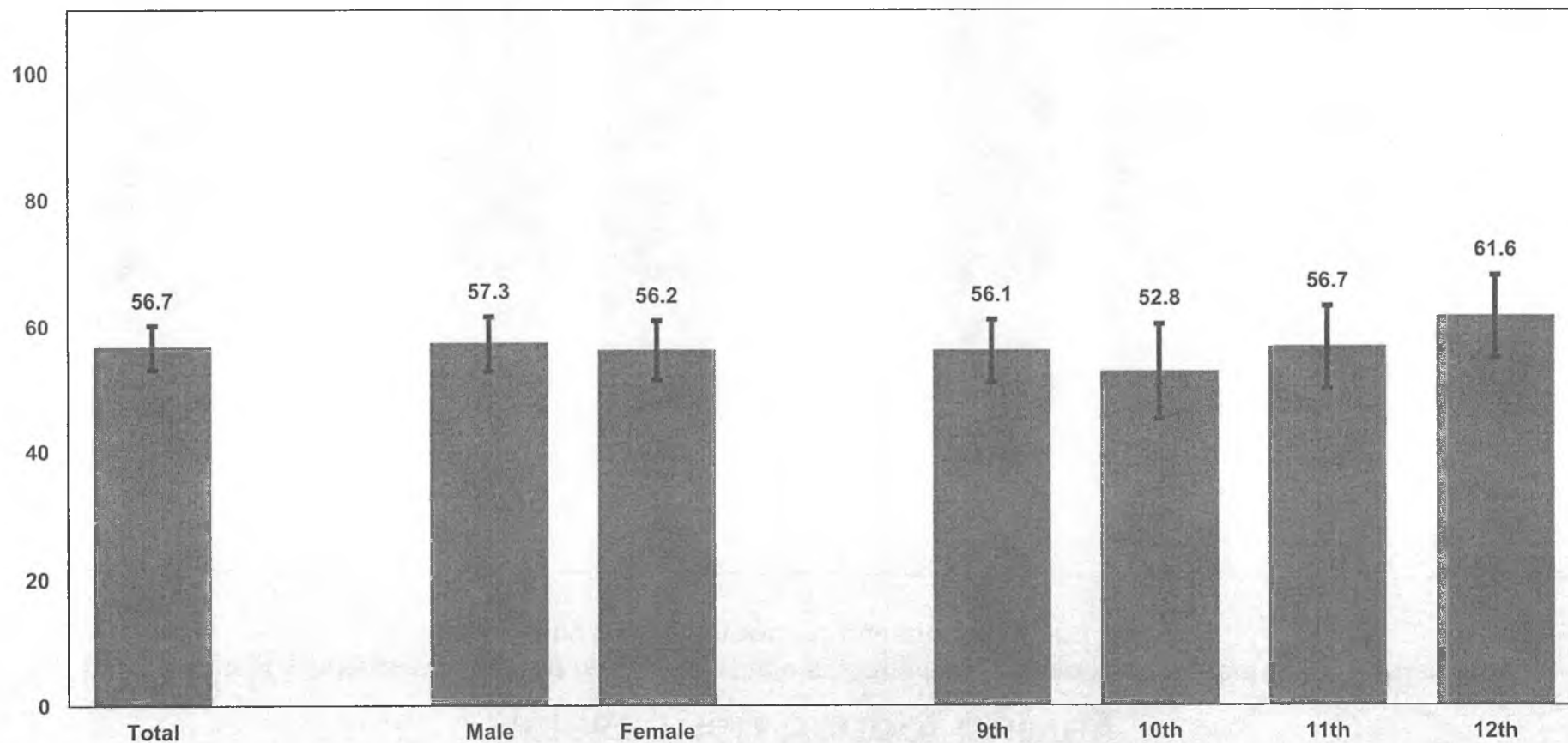
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who strongly agree or agree that their teachers really care about them and give them a lot of encouragement



Q99 - Weighted Data

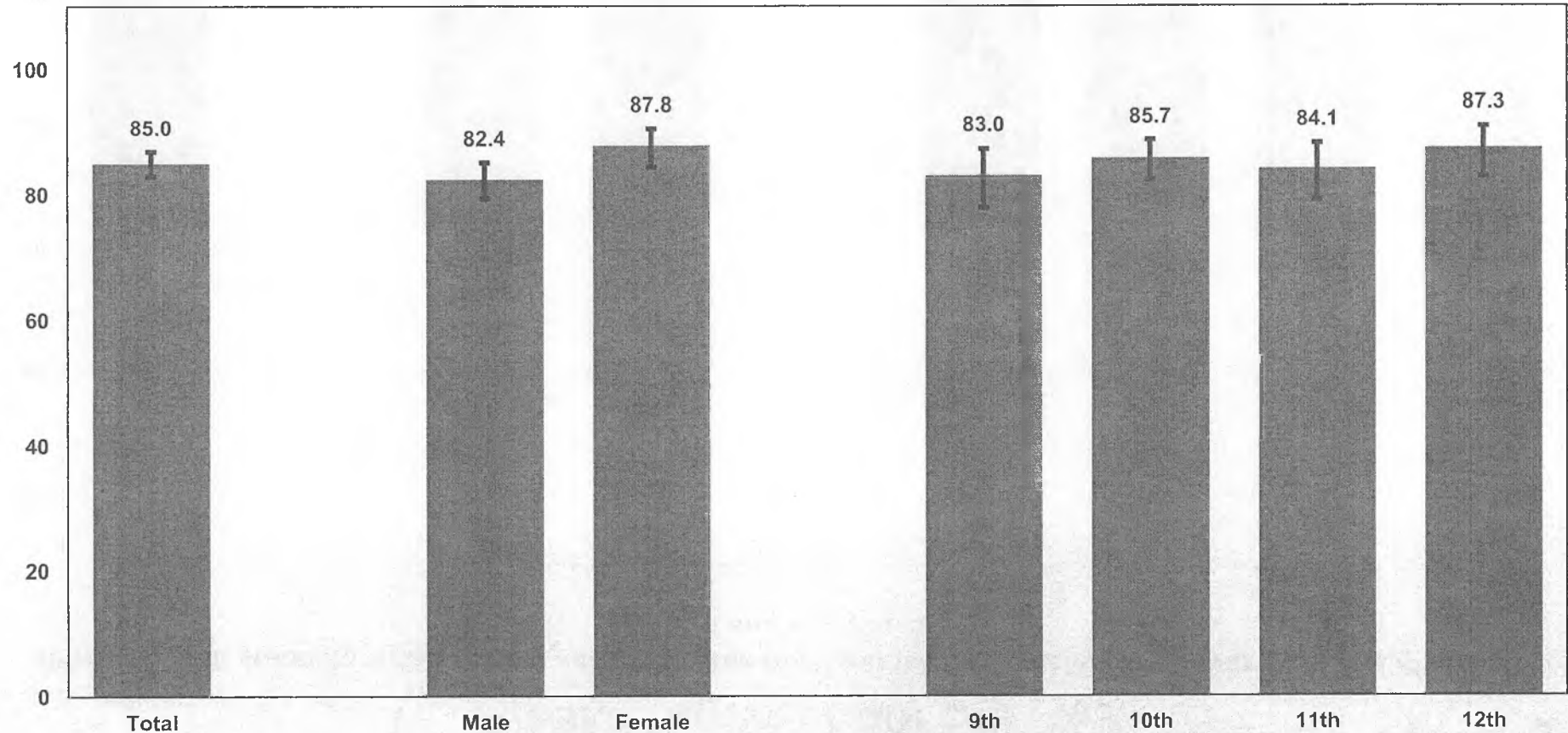
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who would feel comfortable seeking help from one or more adults besides their parents if they had an important question affecting their life



Q100 - Weighted Data

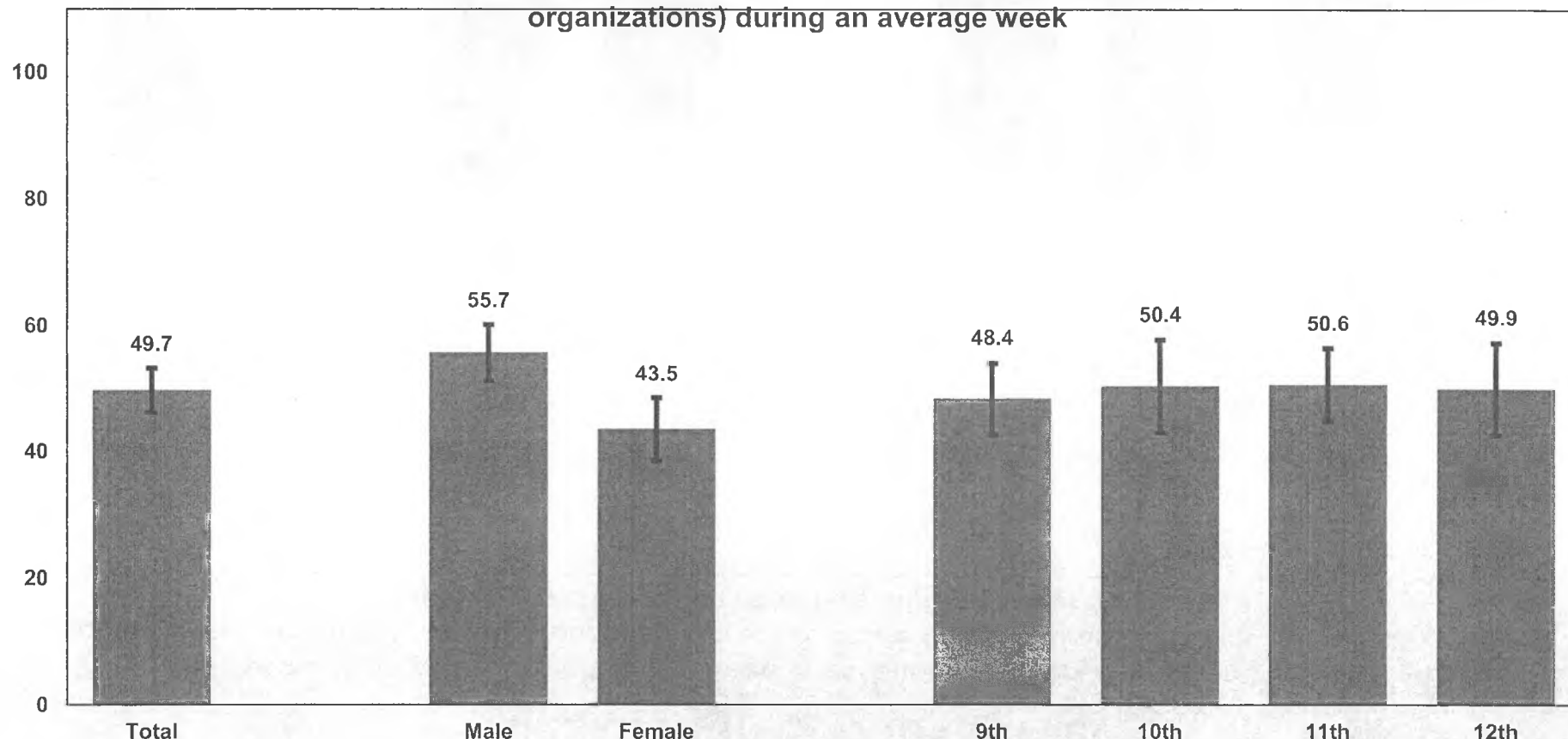
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who spend zero hours helping or volunteering at school or in the community (such as helping elders or neighbors; watching young children; teaching or tutoring; peer helping; mentoring; or helping out at local programs, health clinics, faith organizations, tribal organizations, or environmental organizations) during an average week



Q101 - Weighted Data

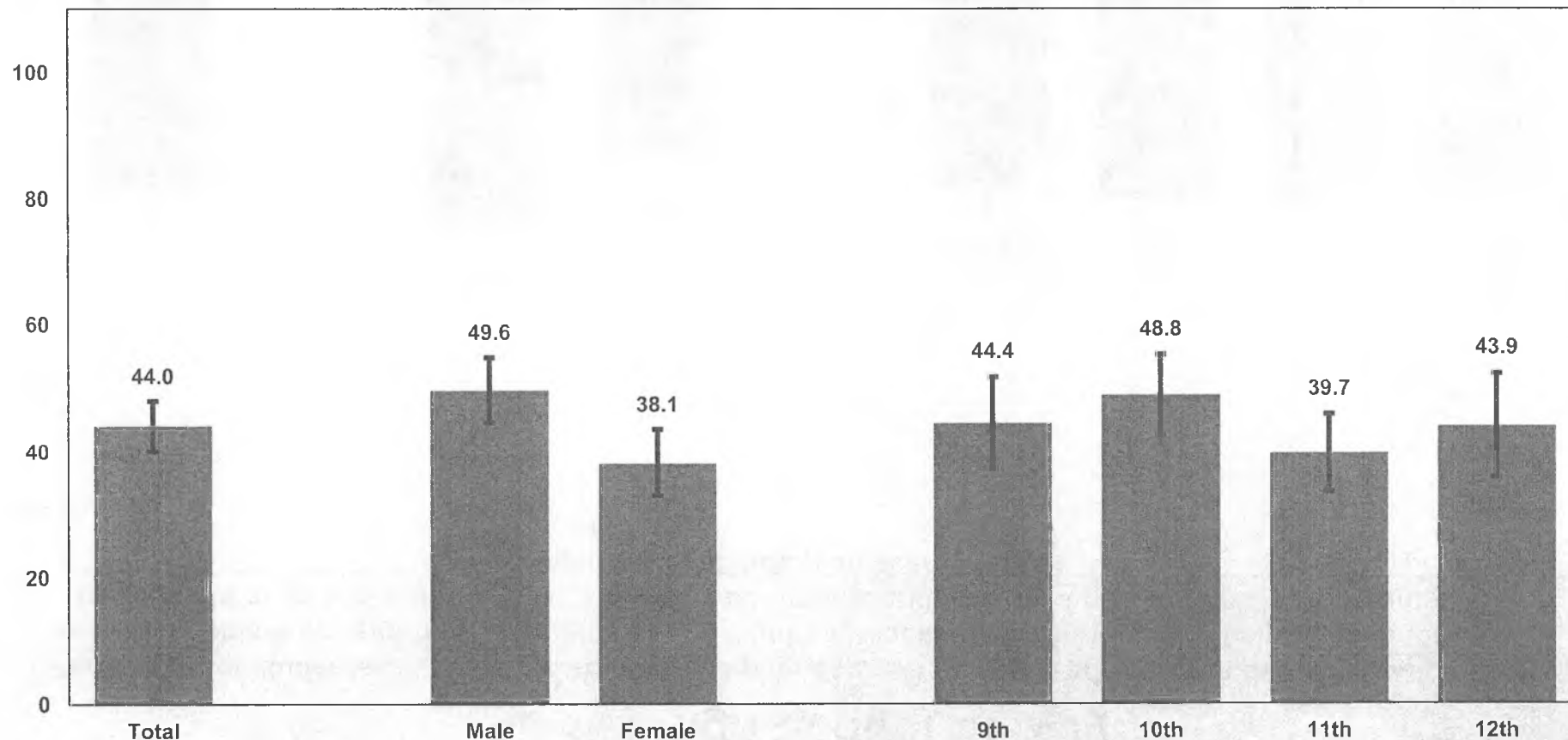
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who take part in organized after school, evening, or weekend activities (such as school clubs; community center groups; music, art, or dance lessons; drama; church; or cultural or other supervised activities) on zero days during an average week



Q102 - Weighted Data

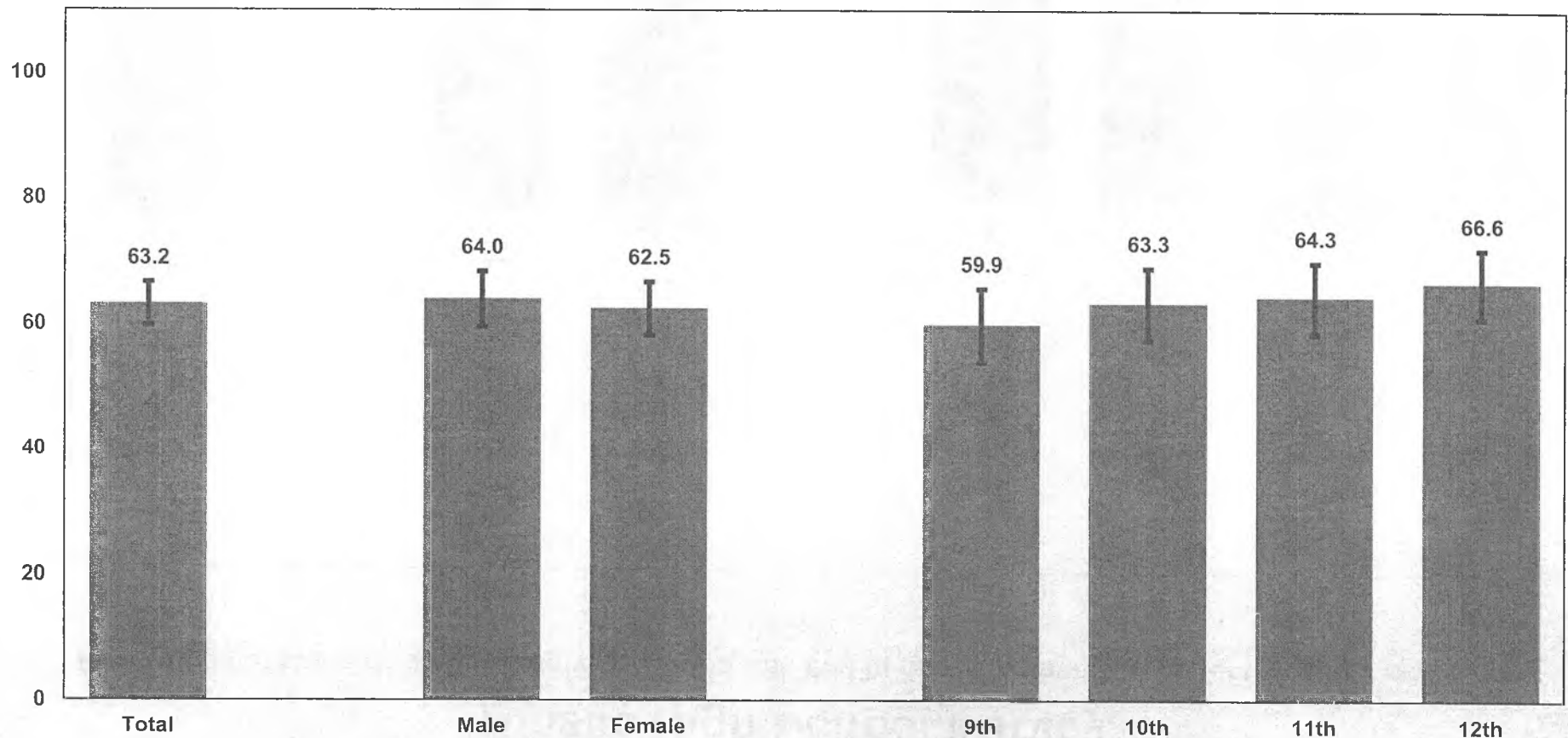
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who disagree or strongly disagree that they feel alone in their life



Q103 - Weighted Data

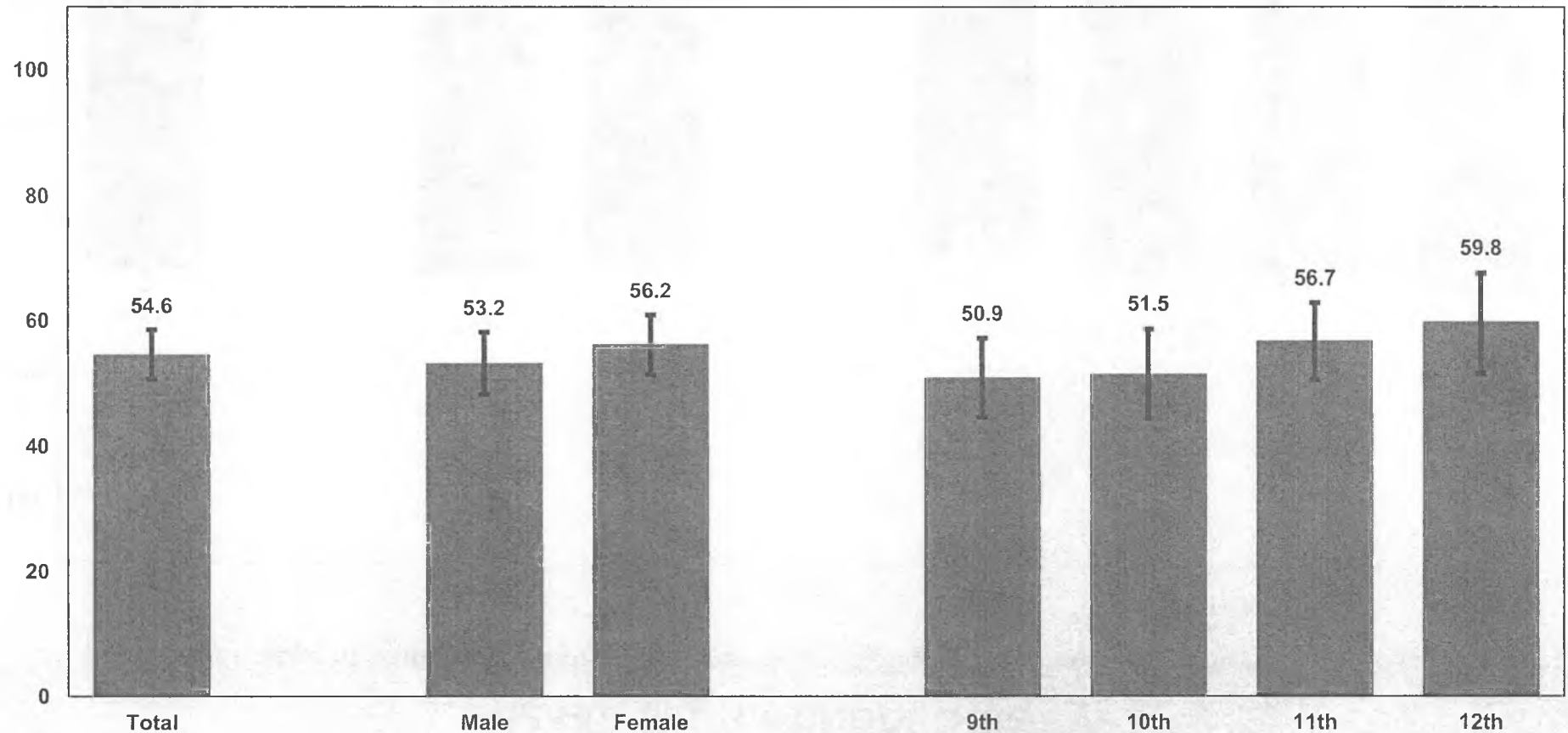
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who strongly agree or agree that in their community they feel like they matter to people



Q104 - Weighted Data

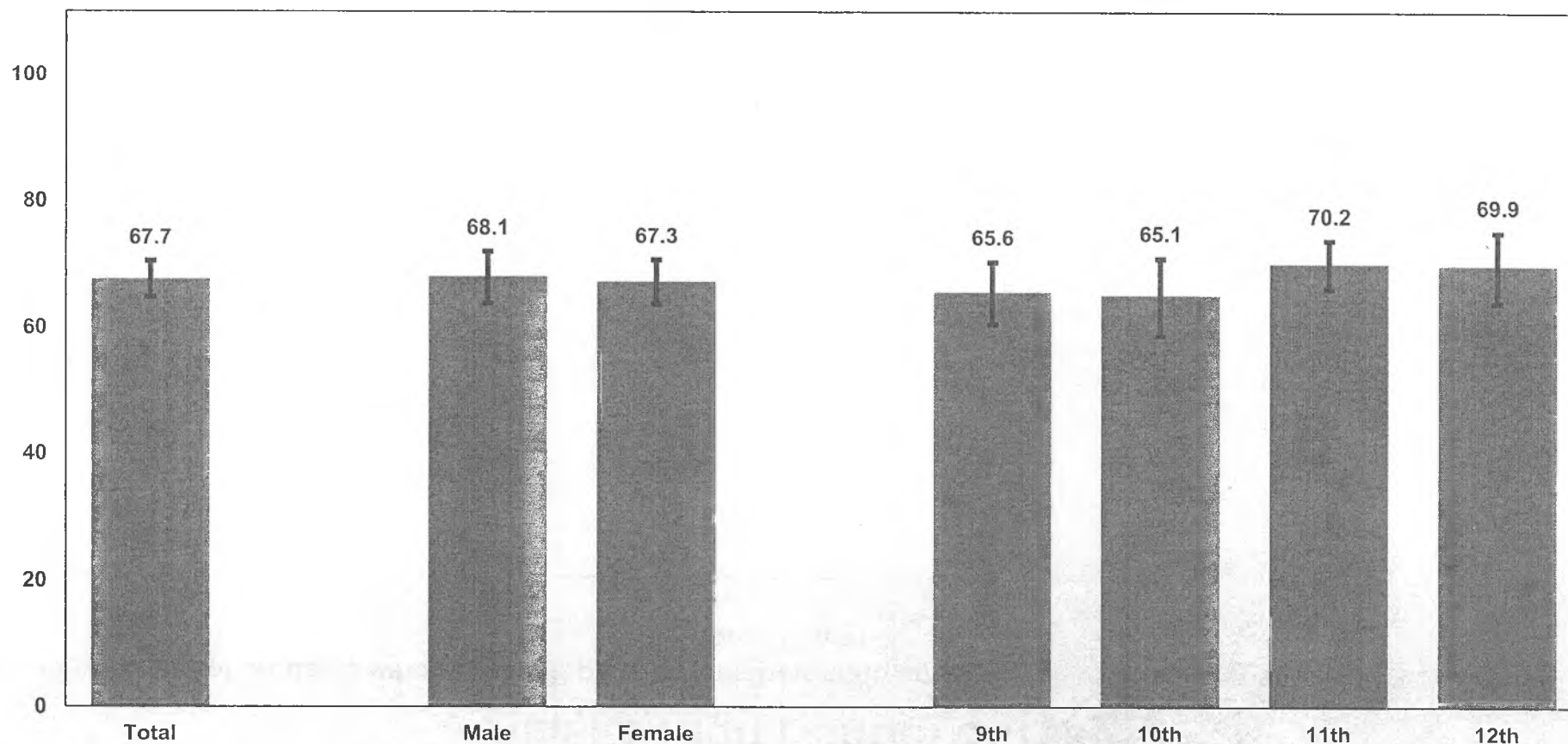
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who strongly agree or agree that their school has clear rules and consequences for behavior



Q105 - Weighted Data

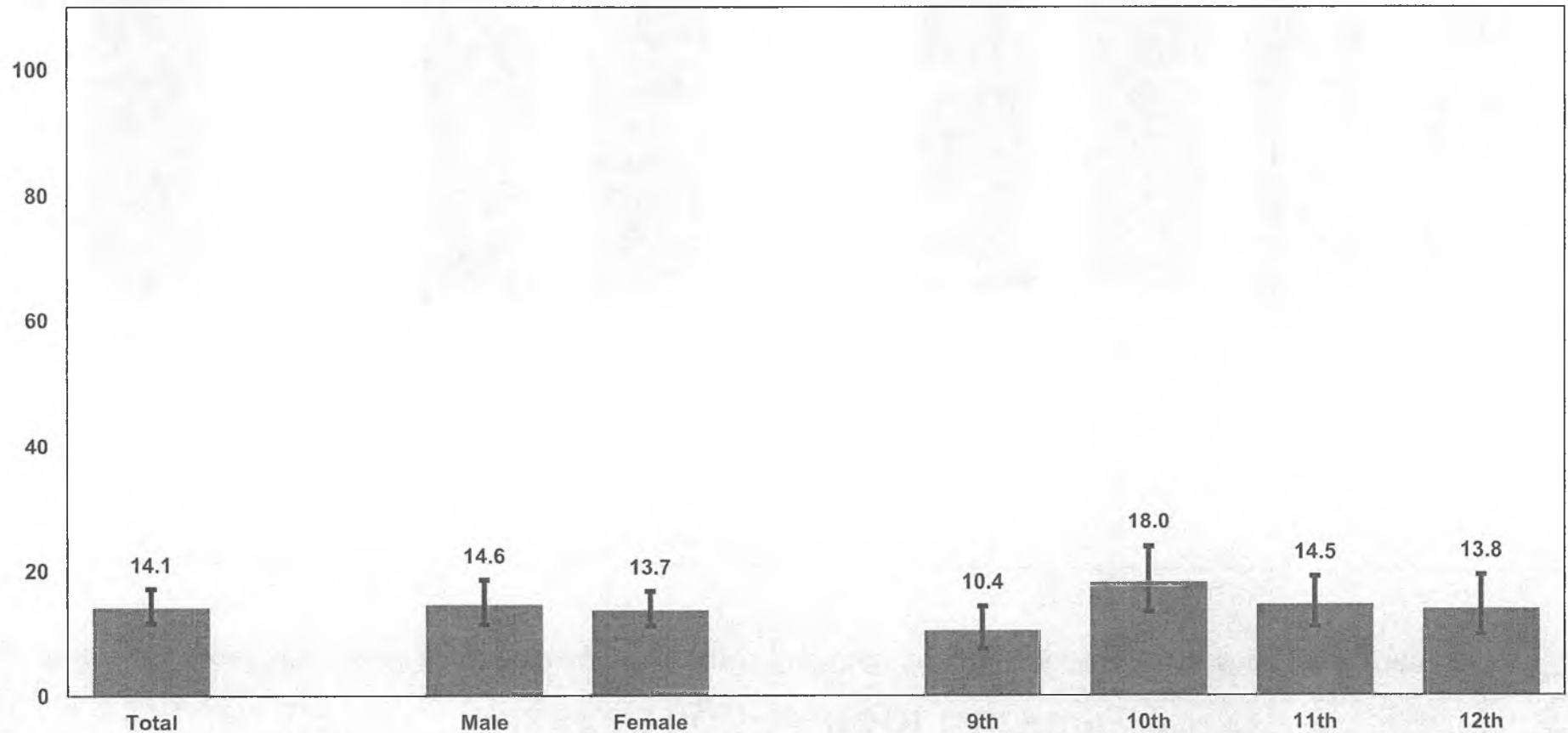
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who said their parents feel their child smoking marijuana is either a little bit wrong or not wrong at all



Q106 - Weighted Data

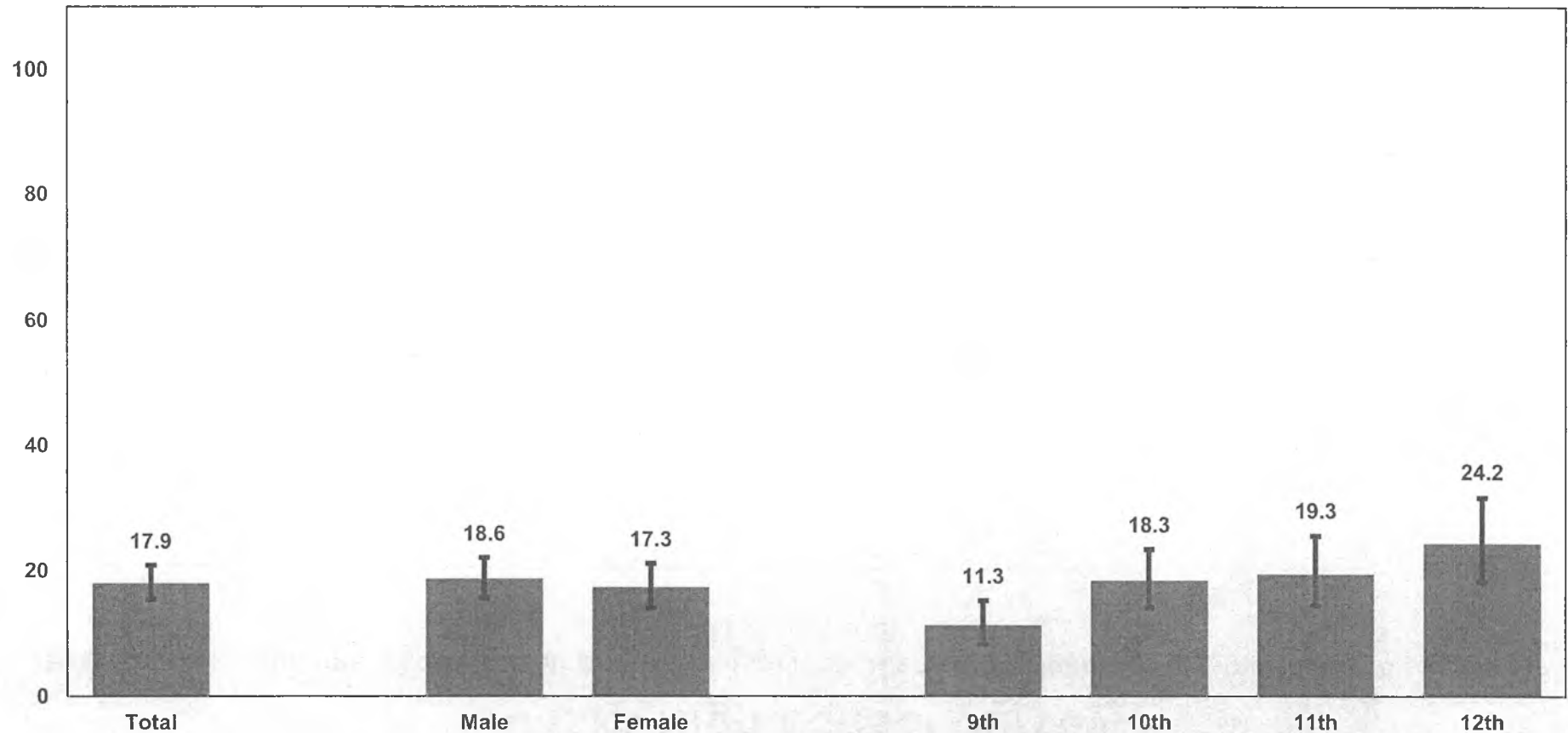
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who said their parents feel their child drinking alcohol regularly is either a little bit wrong or not wrong at all



Q107 - Weighted Data

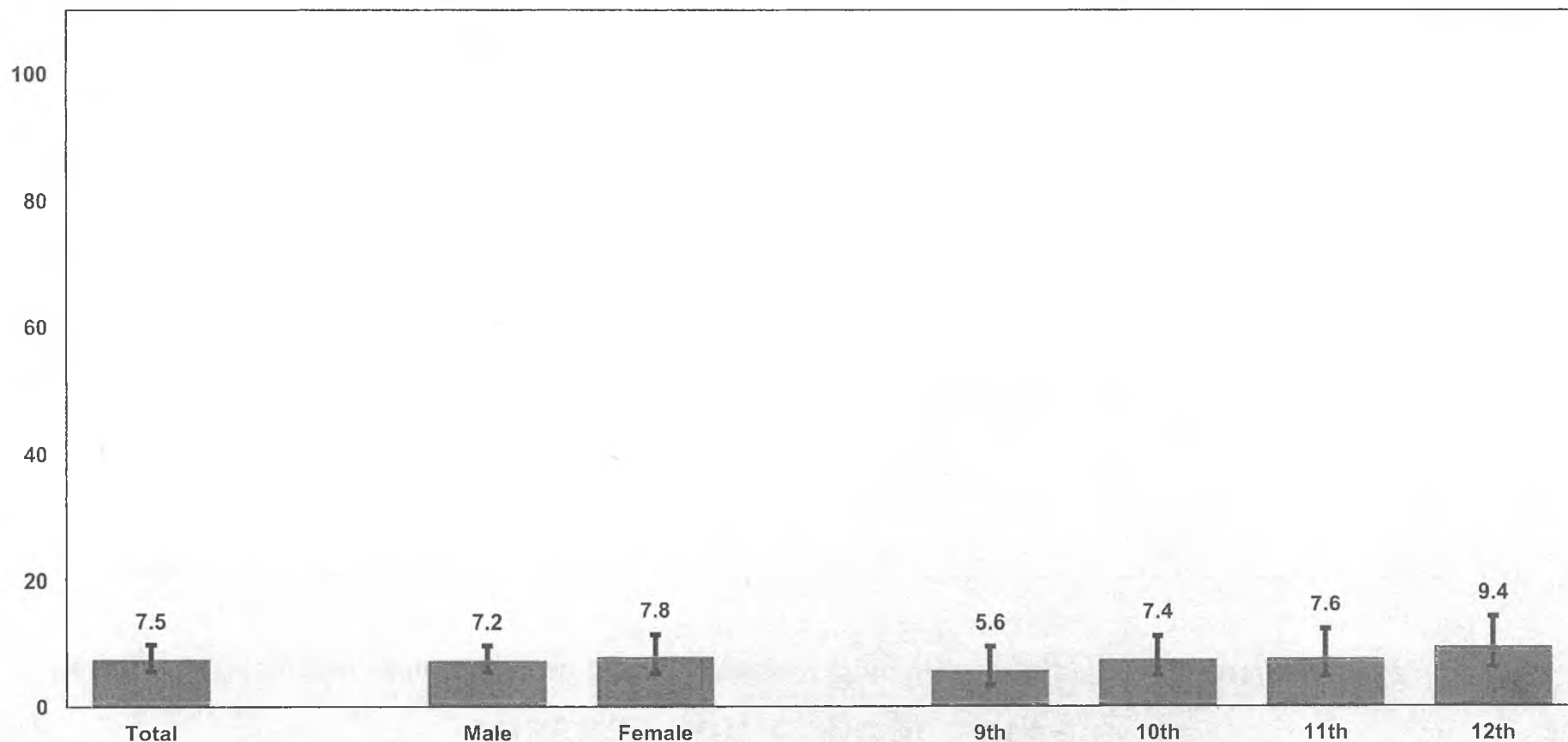
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who said their parents feel their child smoking cigarettes is either a little bit wrong or not wrong at all



Q108 - Weighted Data

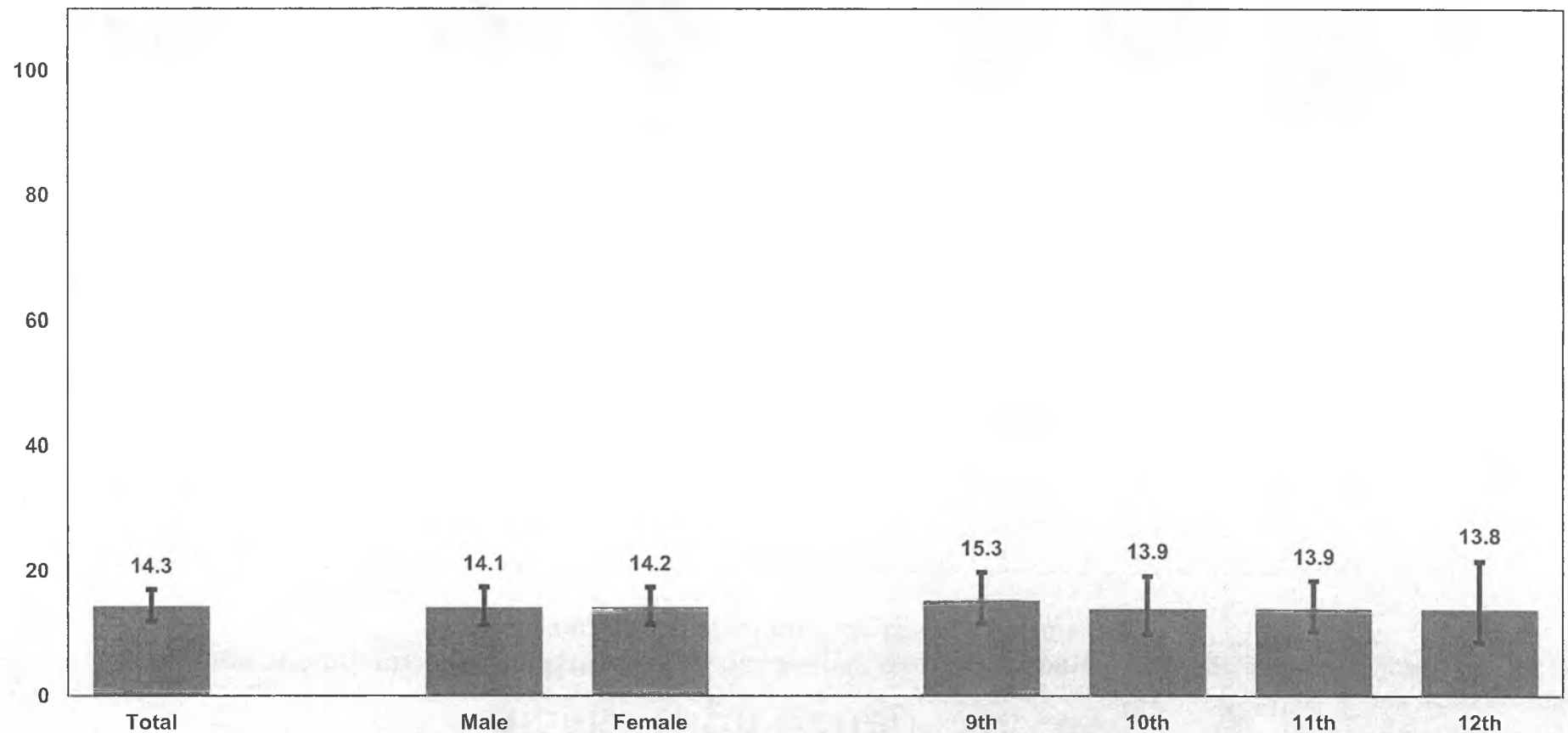
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who think there is a chance they would be seen as cool for smoking cigarettes



Q109 - Weighted Data

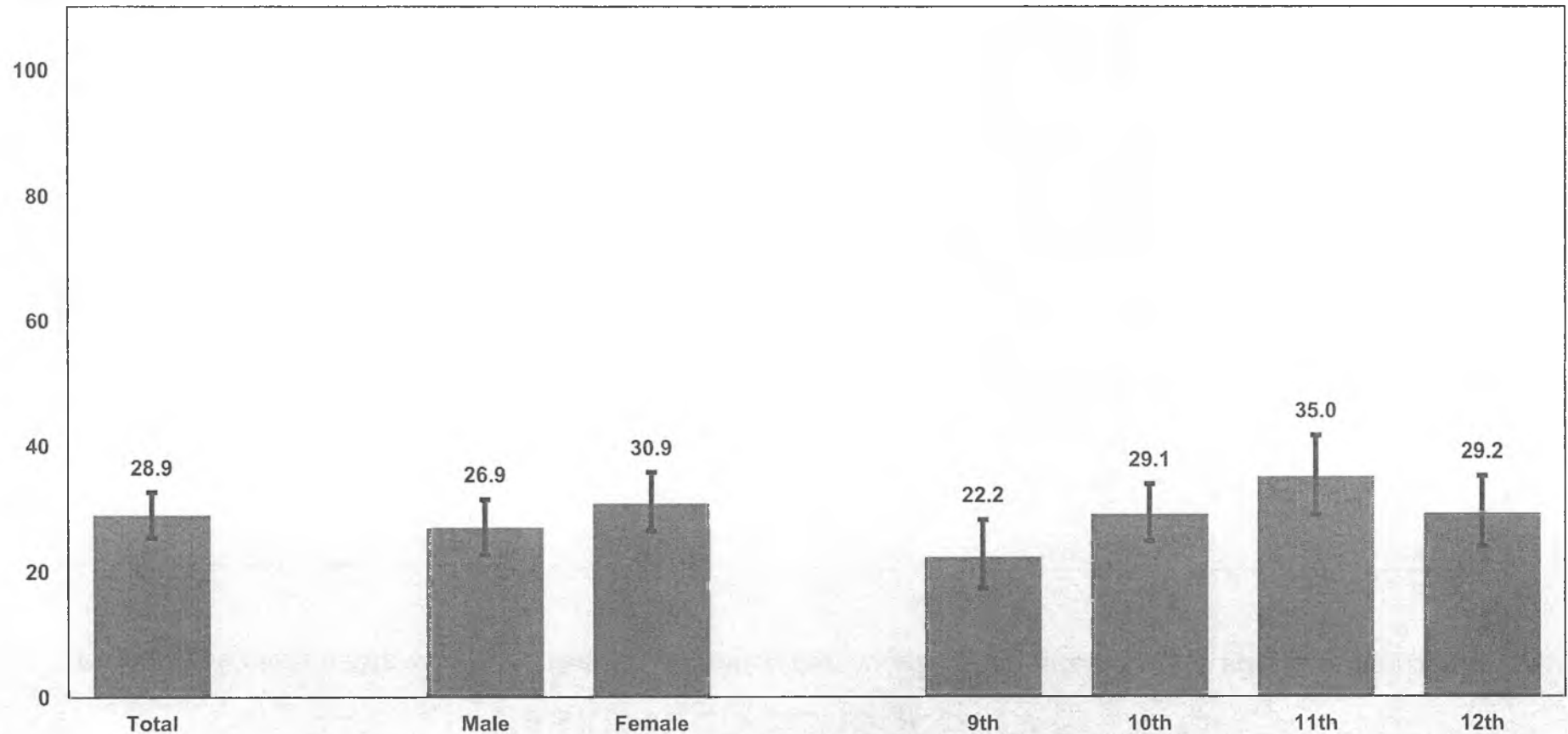
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who think there is a chance they would be seen as cool for drinking alcoholic beverages at least once or twice a month



Q110 - Weighted Data

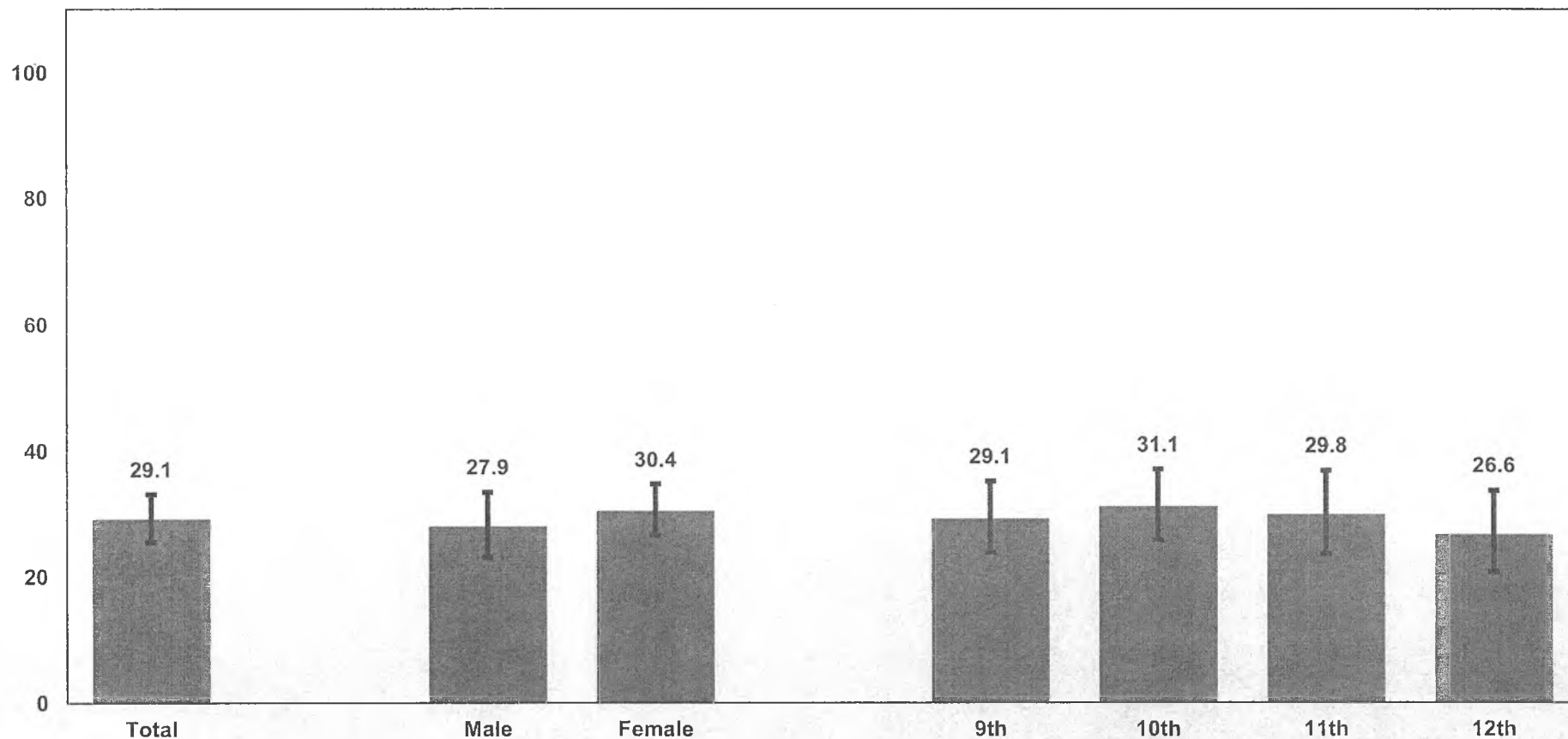
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska High School Survey

Percentage of students who think there is a chance they would be seen as cool for smoking marijuana



Q111 - Weighted Data

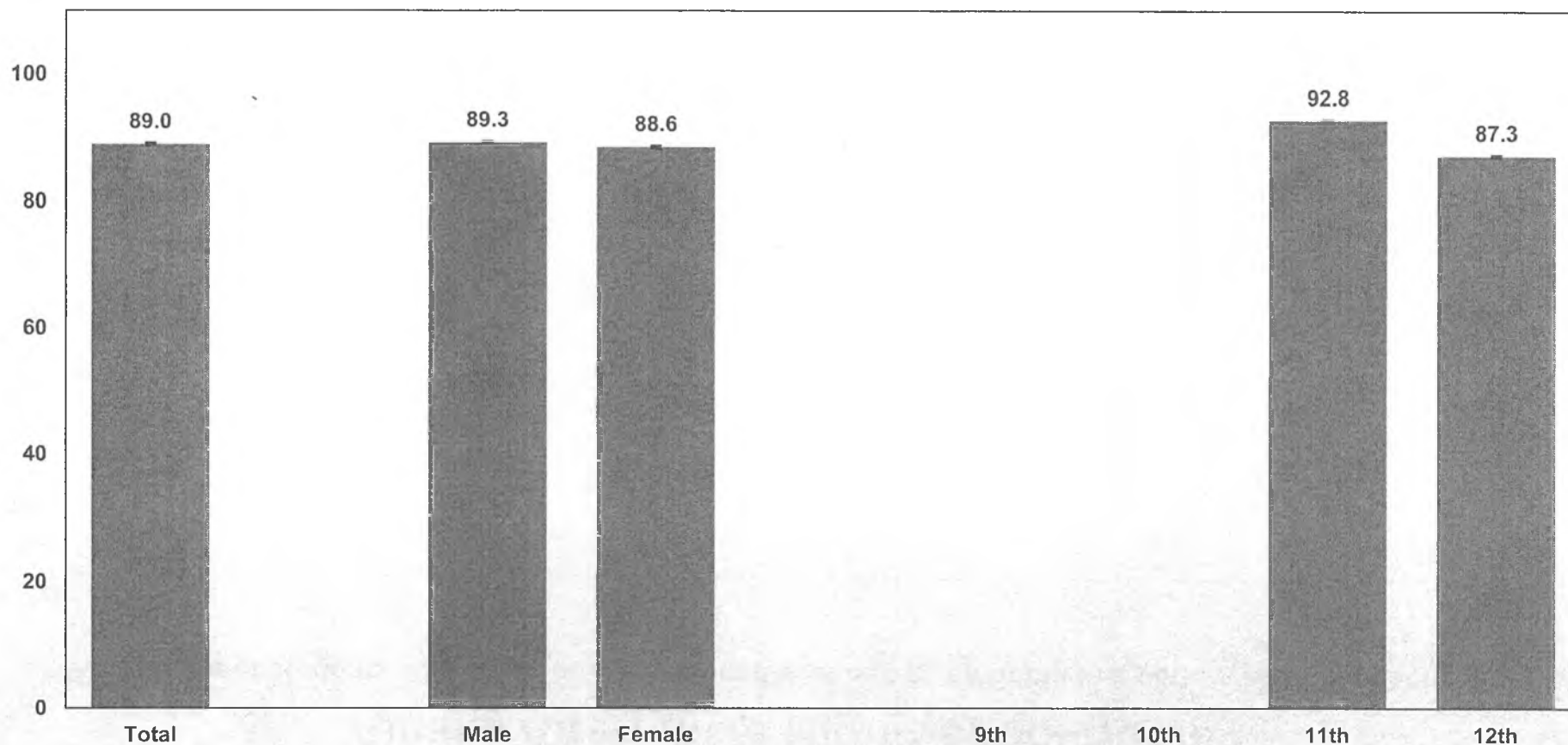
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Among students who rode a bicycle during the past 12 months, the percentage who never or rarely wore a bicycle helmet



Q8 - Weighted Data

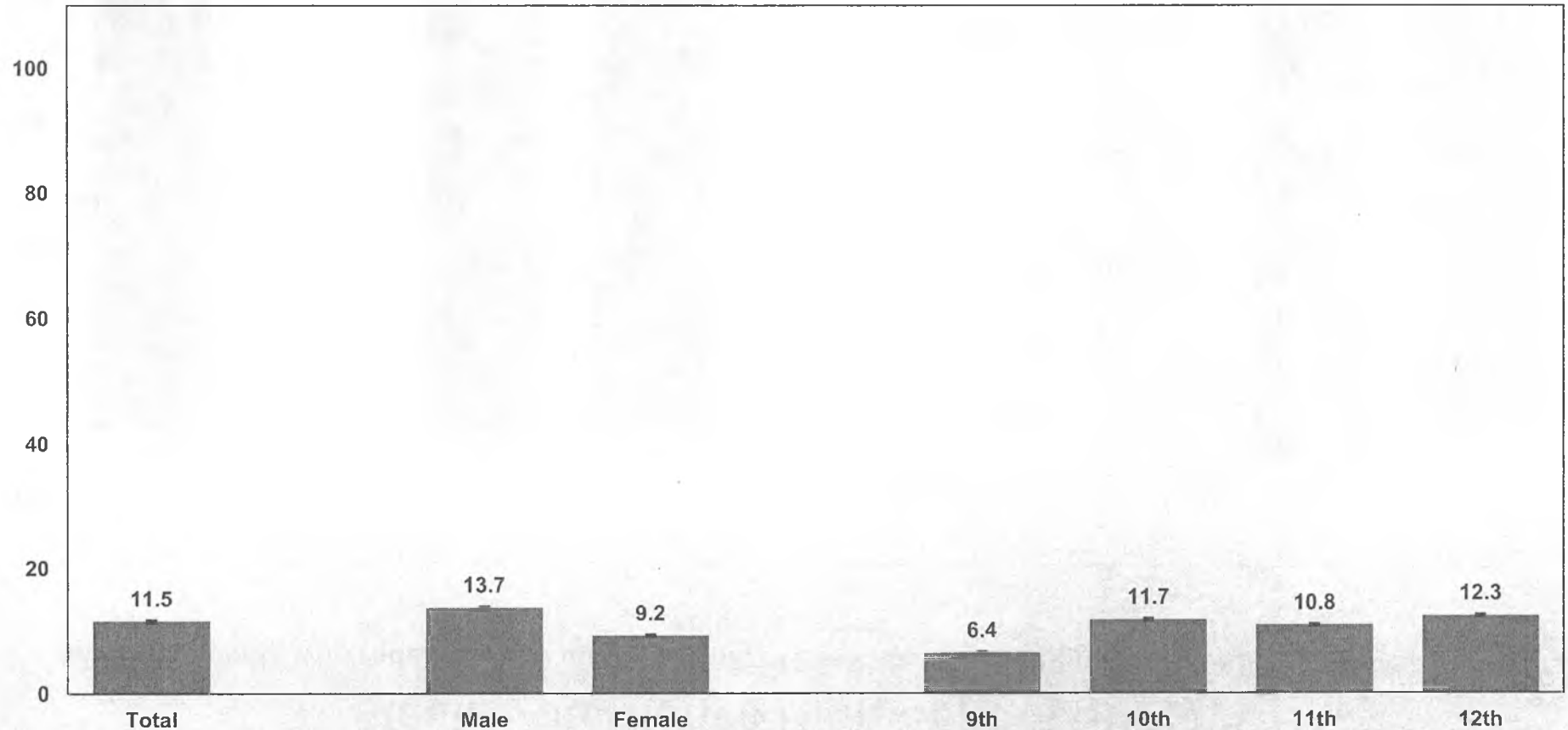
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who never or rarely wore a seat belt when riding in a car driven by someone else



Q9 - Weighted Data

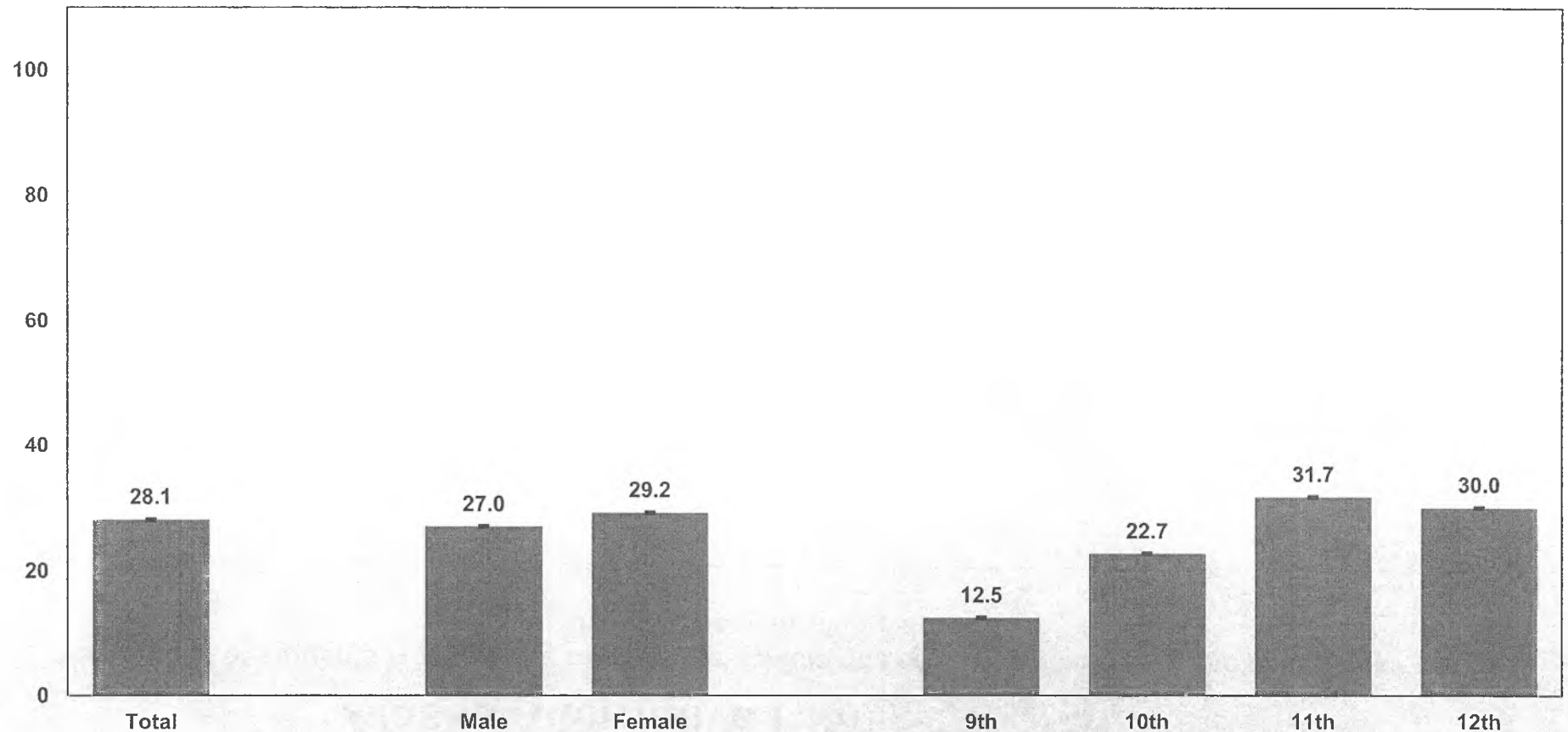
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who rode one or more times during the past 30 days in a car or other vehicle driven by someone who had been drinking alcohol



Q10 - Weighted Data

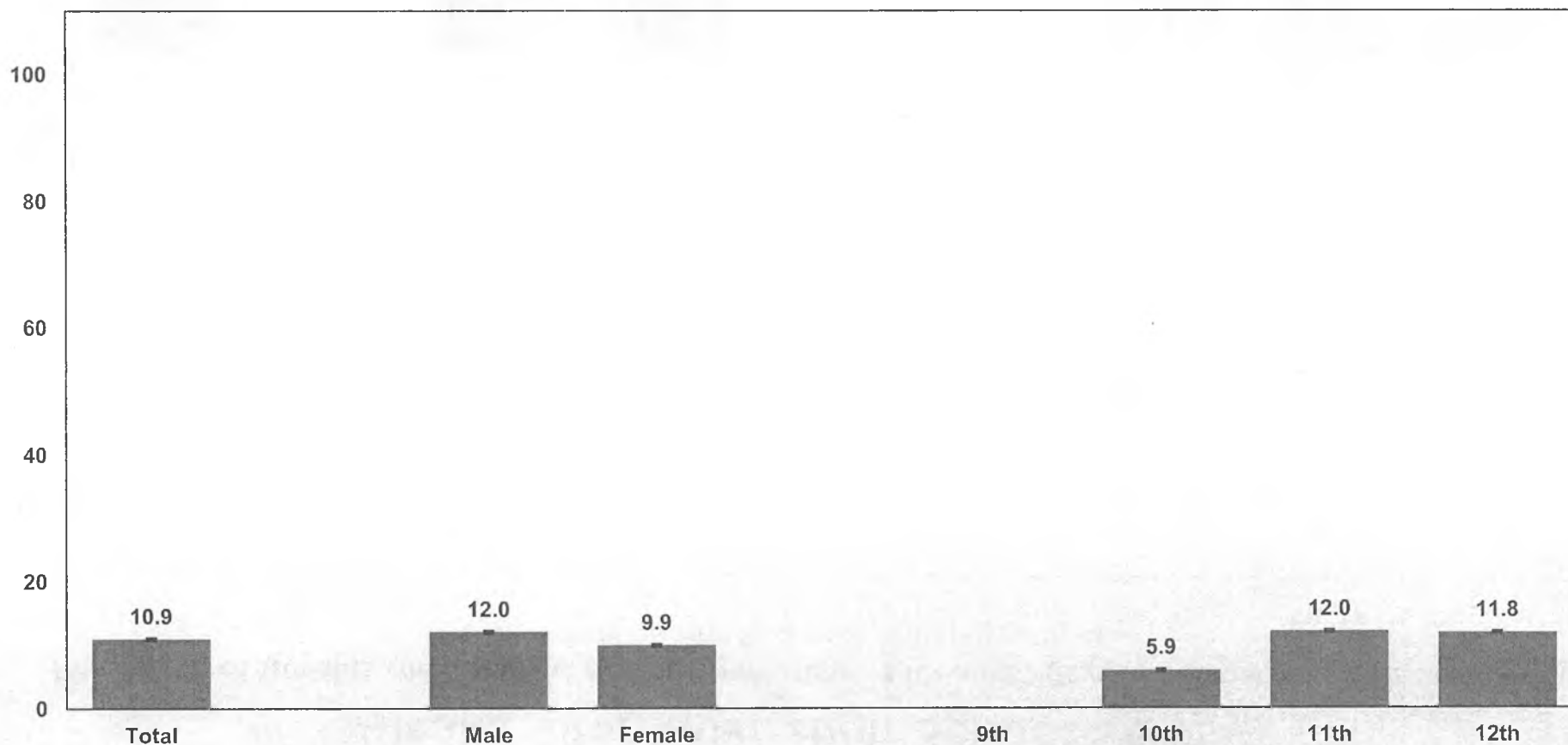
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who drove a car or other vehicle one or more times during the past 30 days when they had been drinking alcohol



Q11 - Weighted Data

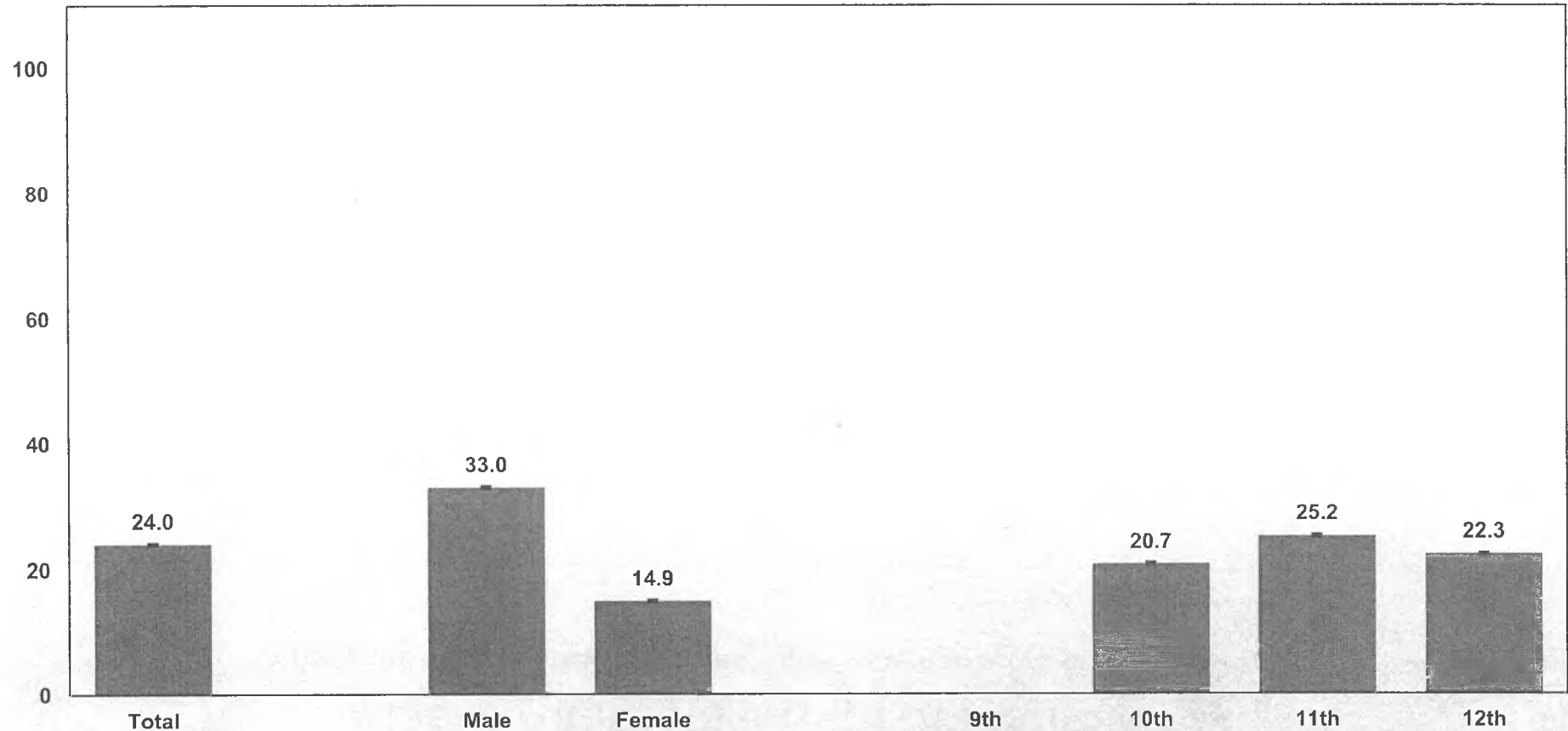
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who carried a weapon such as a gun, knife, or club on one or more of the past 30 days



Q12 - Weighted Data

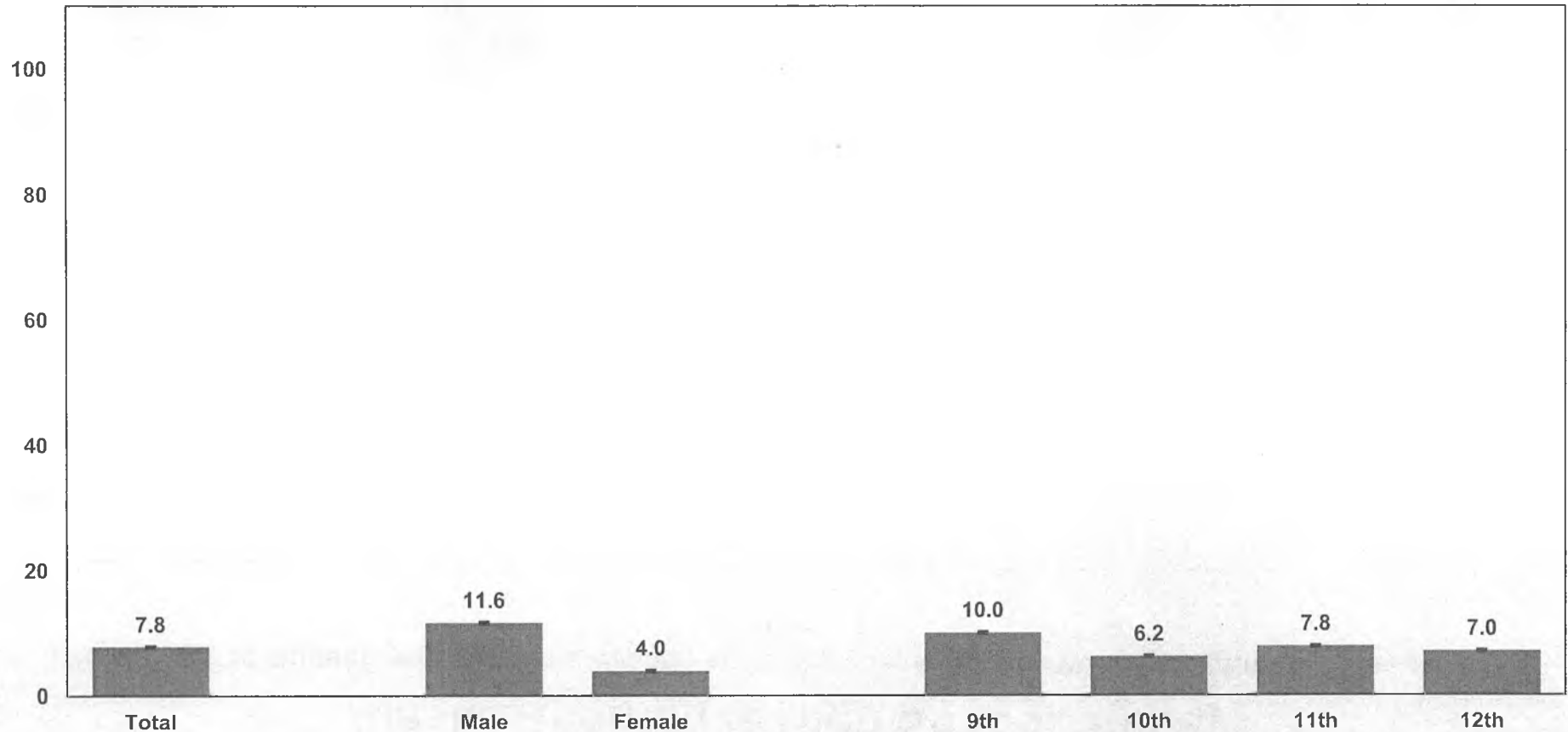
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who carried a gun on one or more of the past 30 days



Q13 - Weighted Data

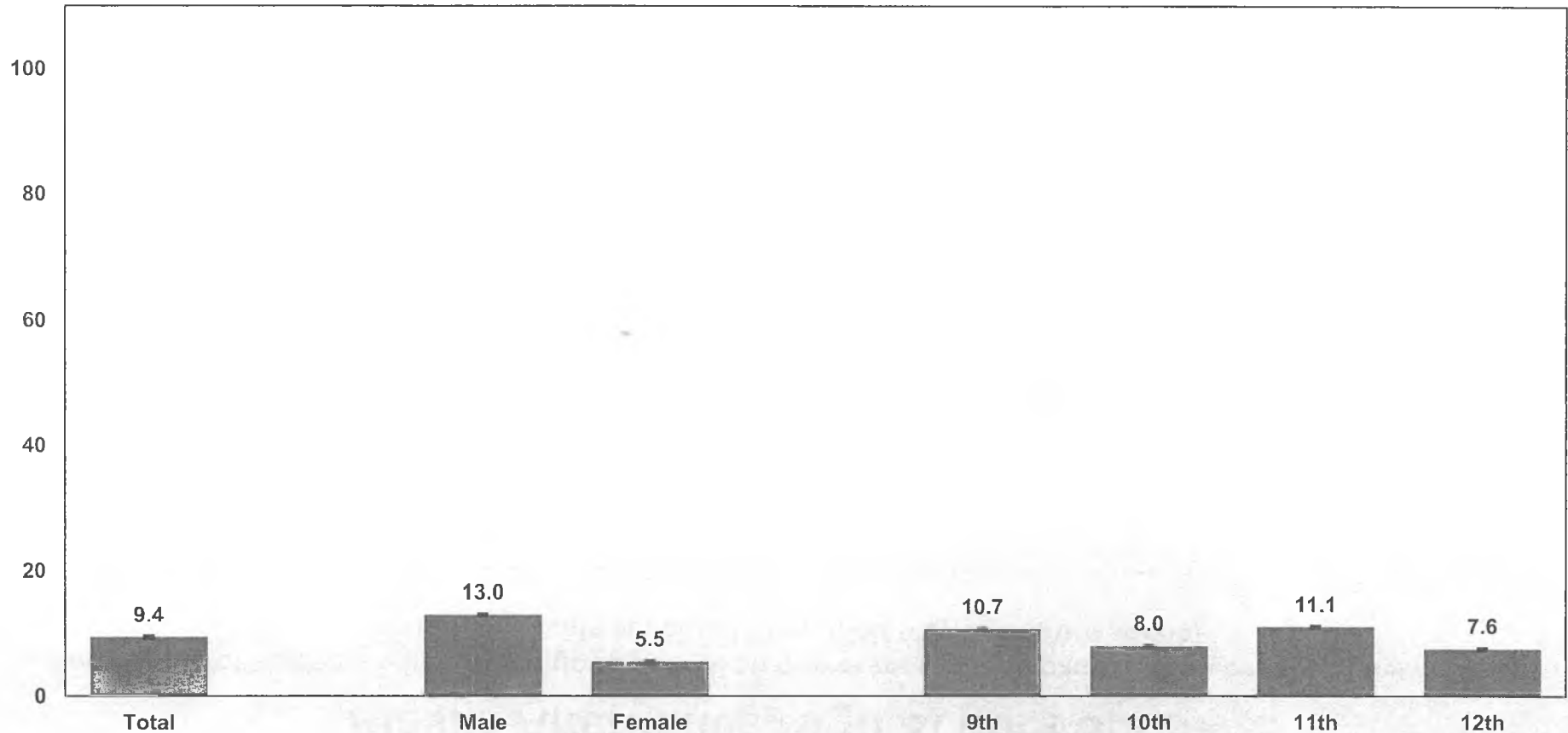
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who carried a weapon such as a gun, knife, or club on school property on one or more of the past 30 days



Q14 - Weighted Data

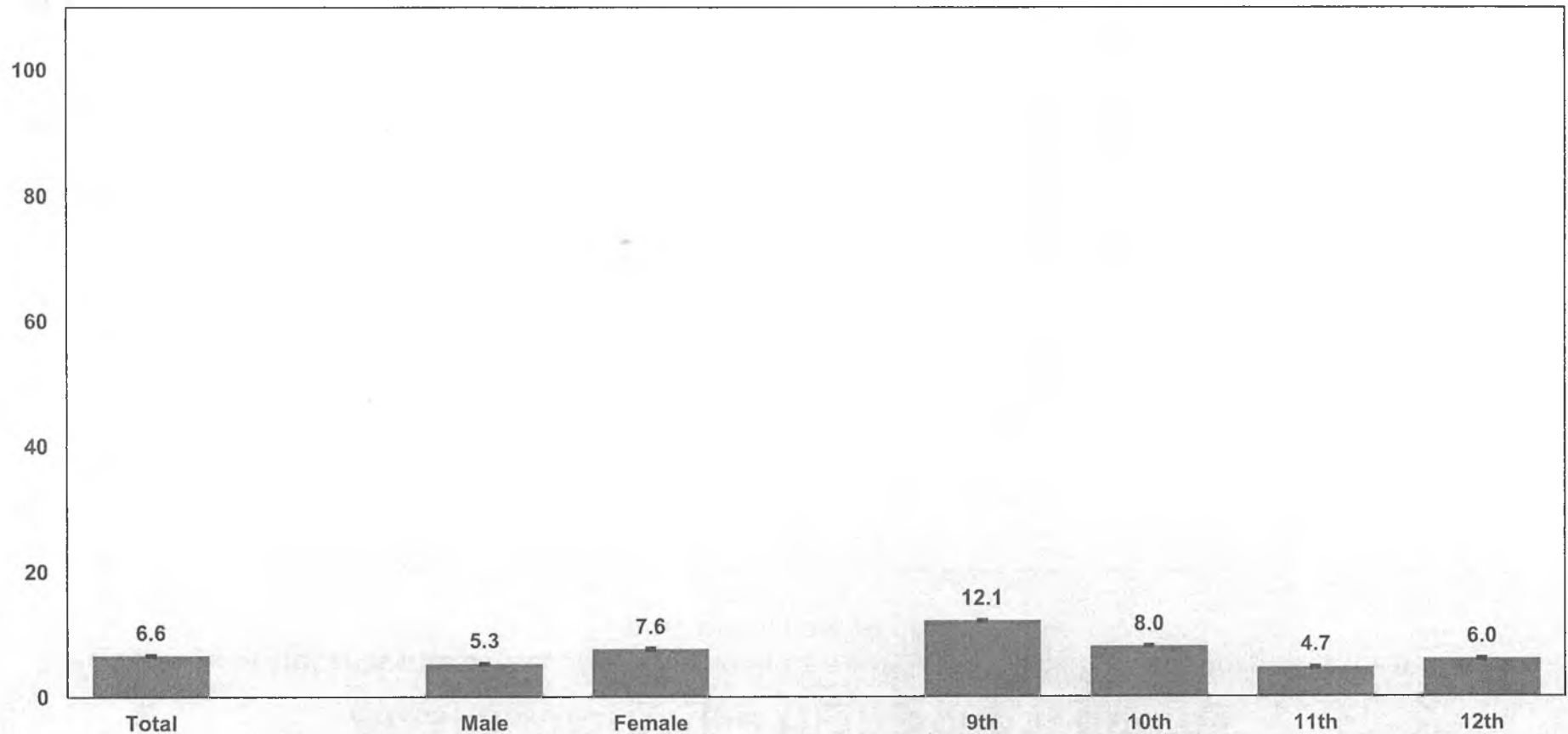
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who did not go to school on one or more of the past 30 days because they felt they would be unsafe at school or on their way to or from school



Q15 - Weighted Data

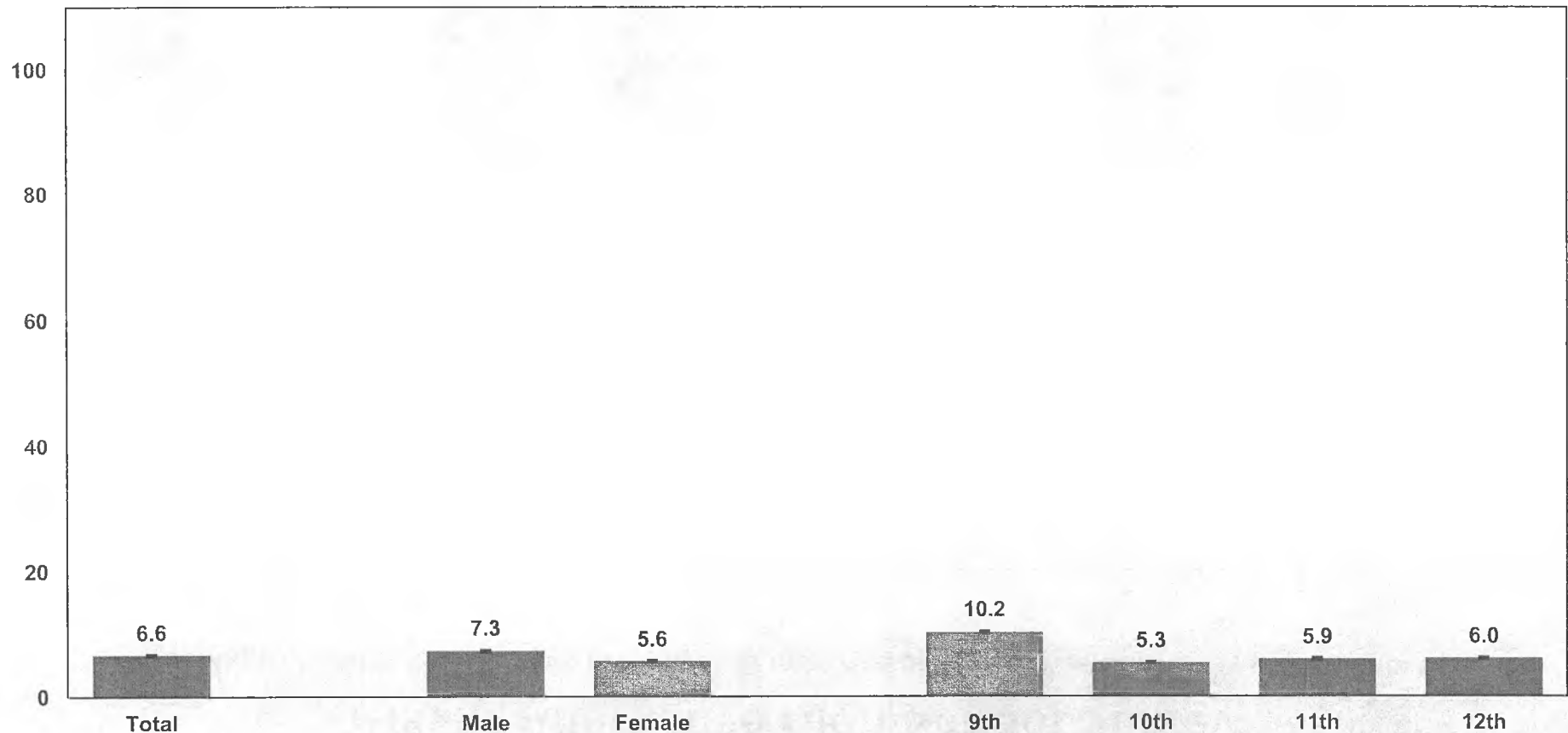
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who had been threatened or injured with a weapon such as a gun, knife, or club on school property one or more times during the past 12 months



Q16 - Weighted Data

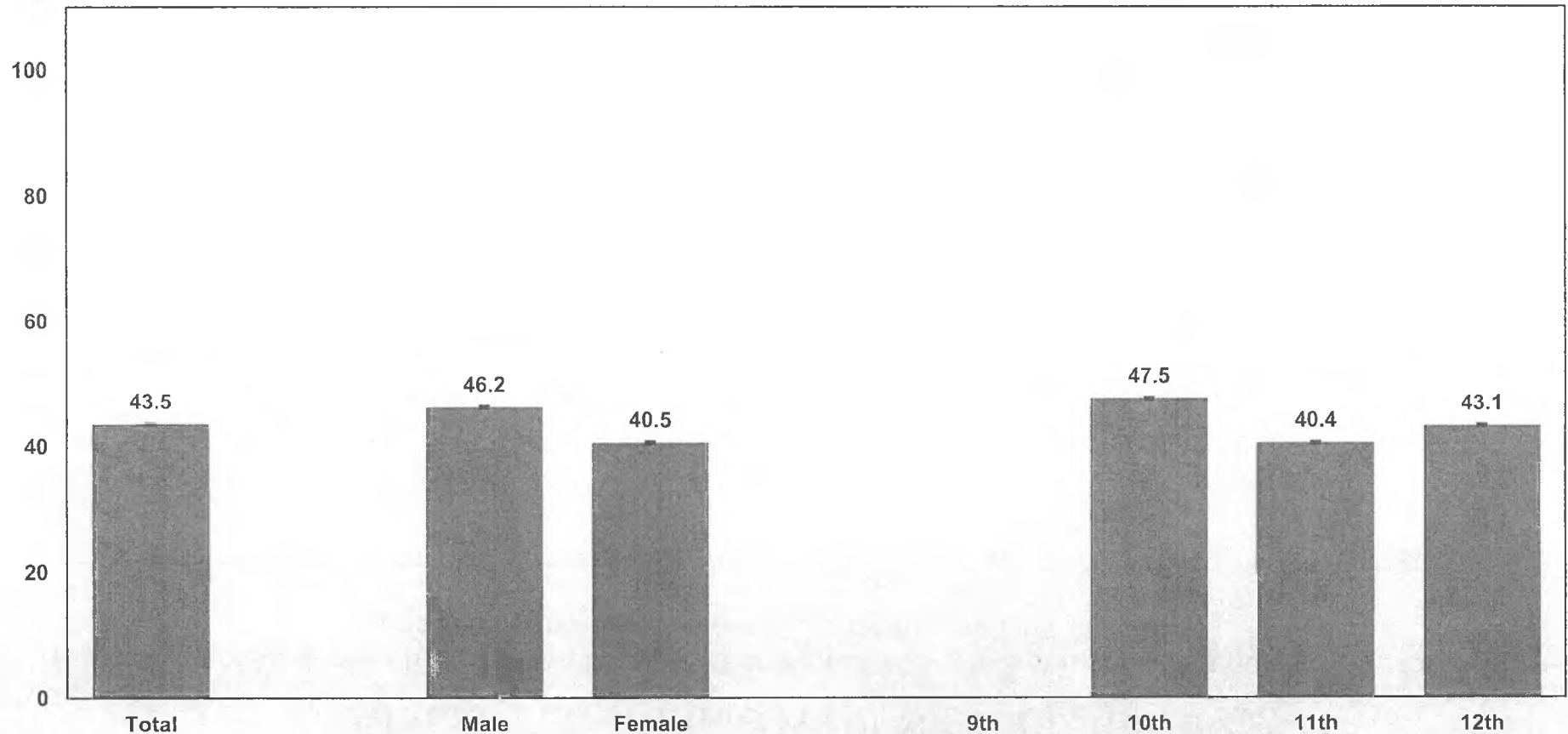
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who were in a physical fight one or more times during the past 12 months



Q17 - Weighted Data

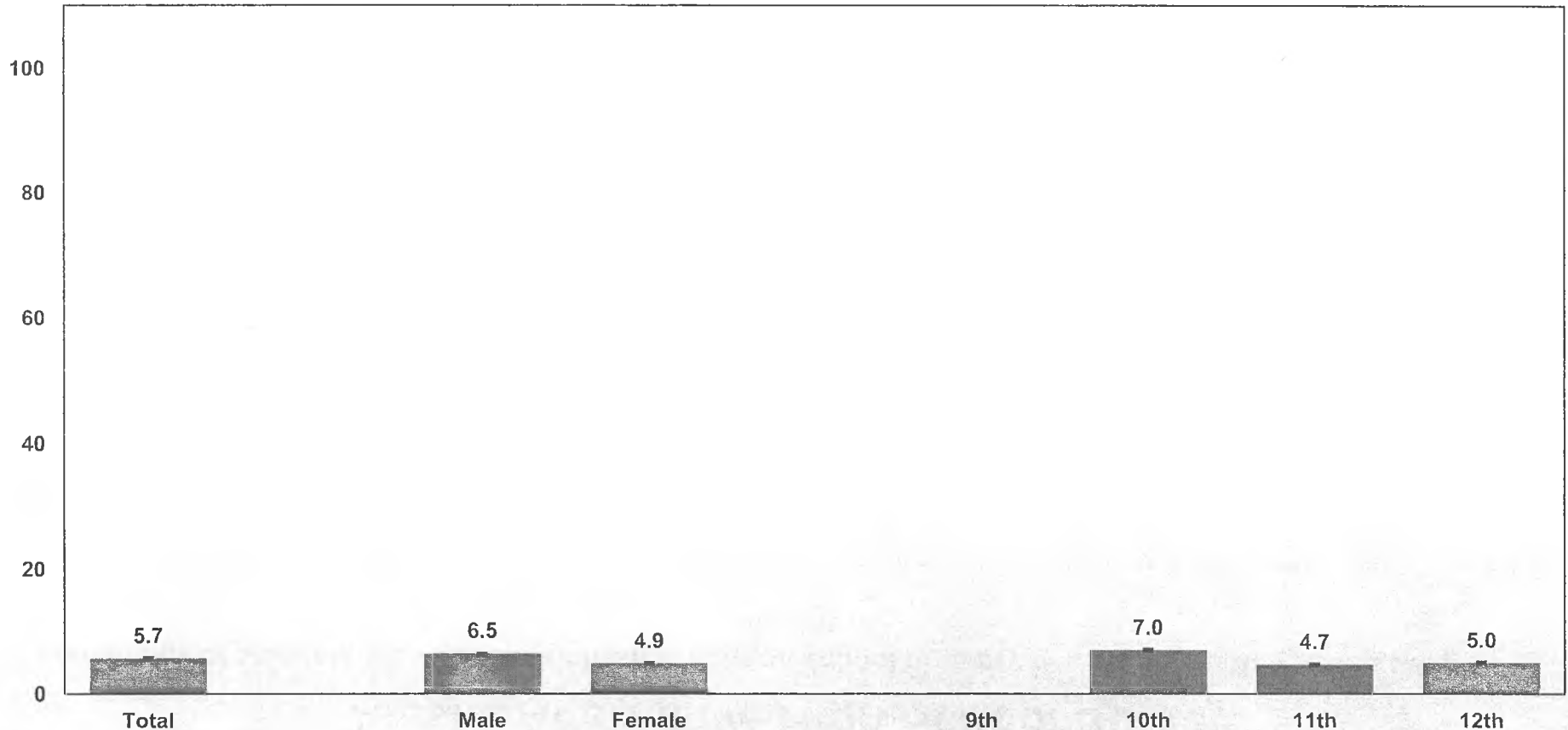
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who were in a physical fight one or more times during the past 12 months in which they were injured and had to be treated by a doctor or nurse



Q18 - Weighted Data

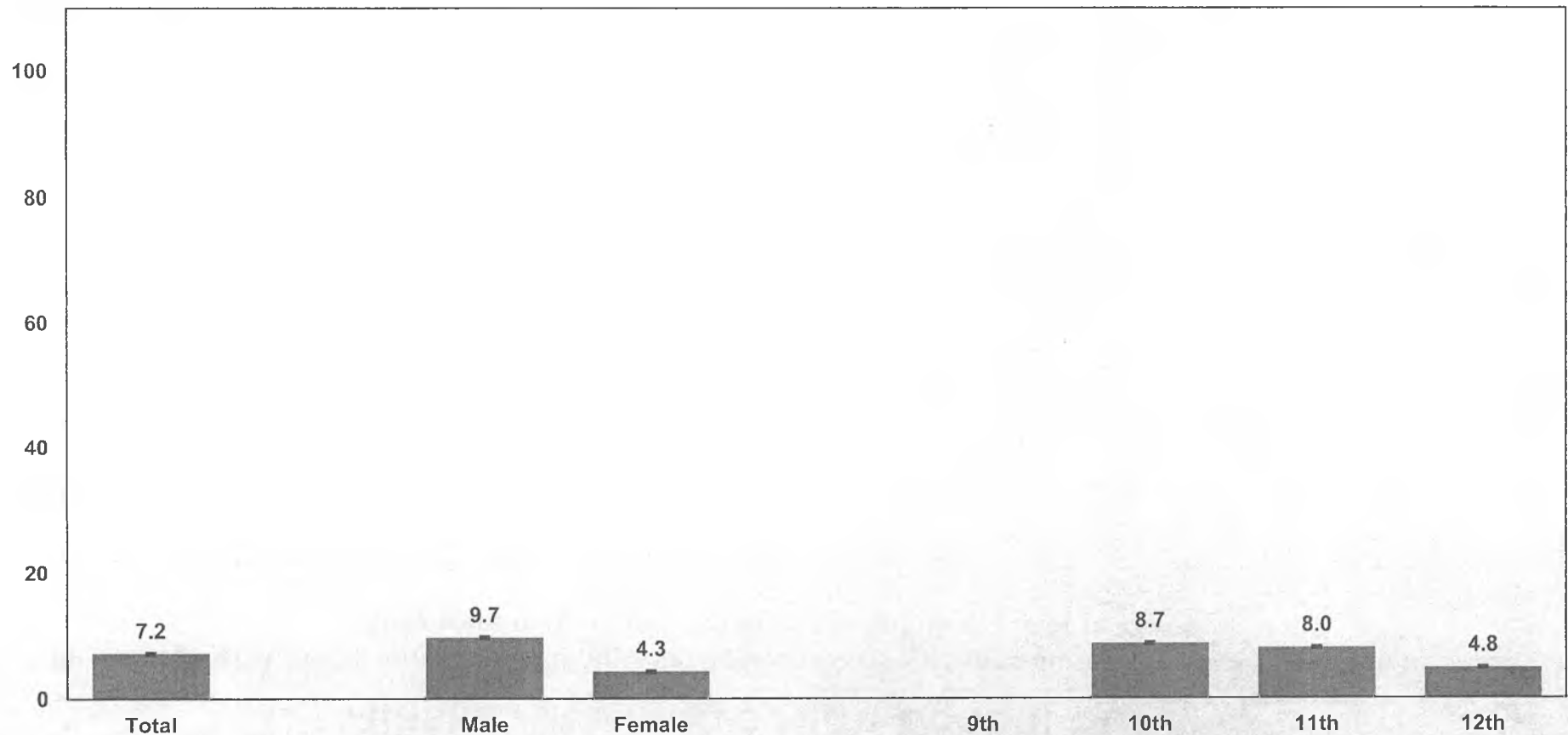
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who were in a physical fight on school property one or more times during the past 12 months



Q19 - Weighted Data

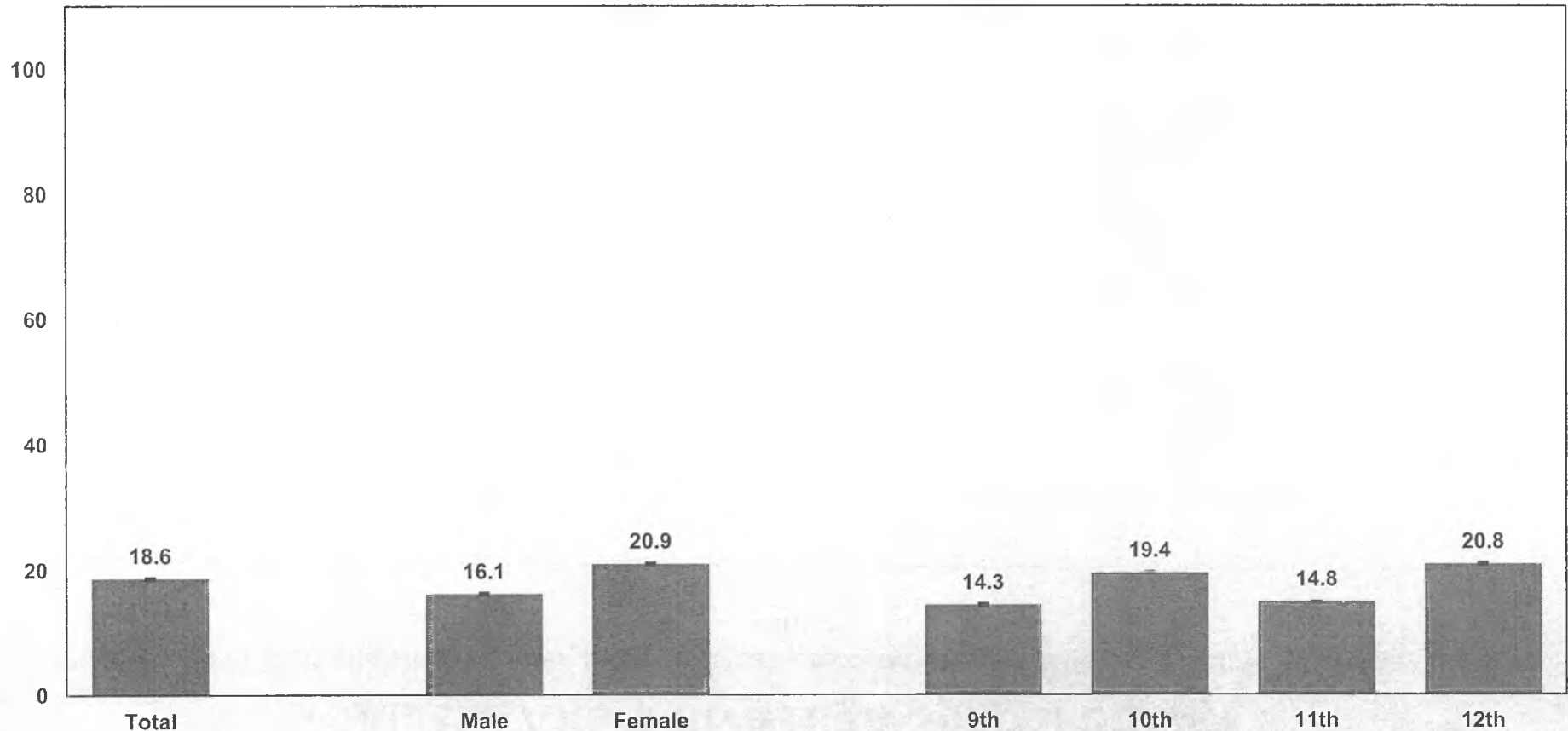
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who were ever hit, slapped, or physically hurt on purpose by their boyfriend or girlfriend during the past 12 months



Q20 - Weighted Data

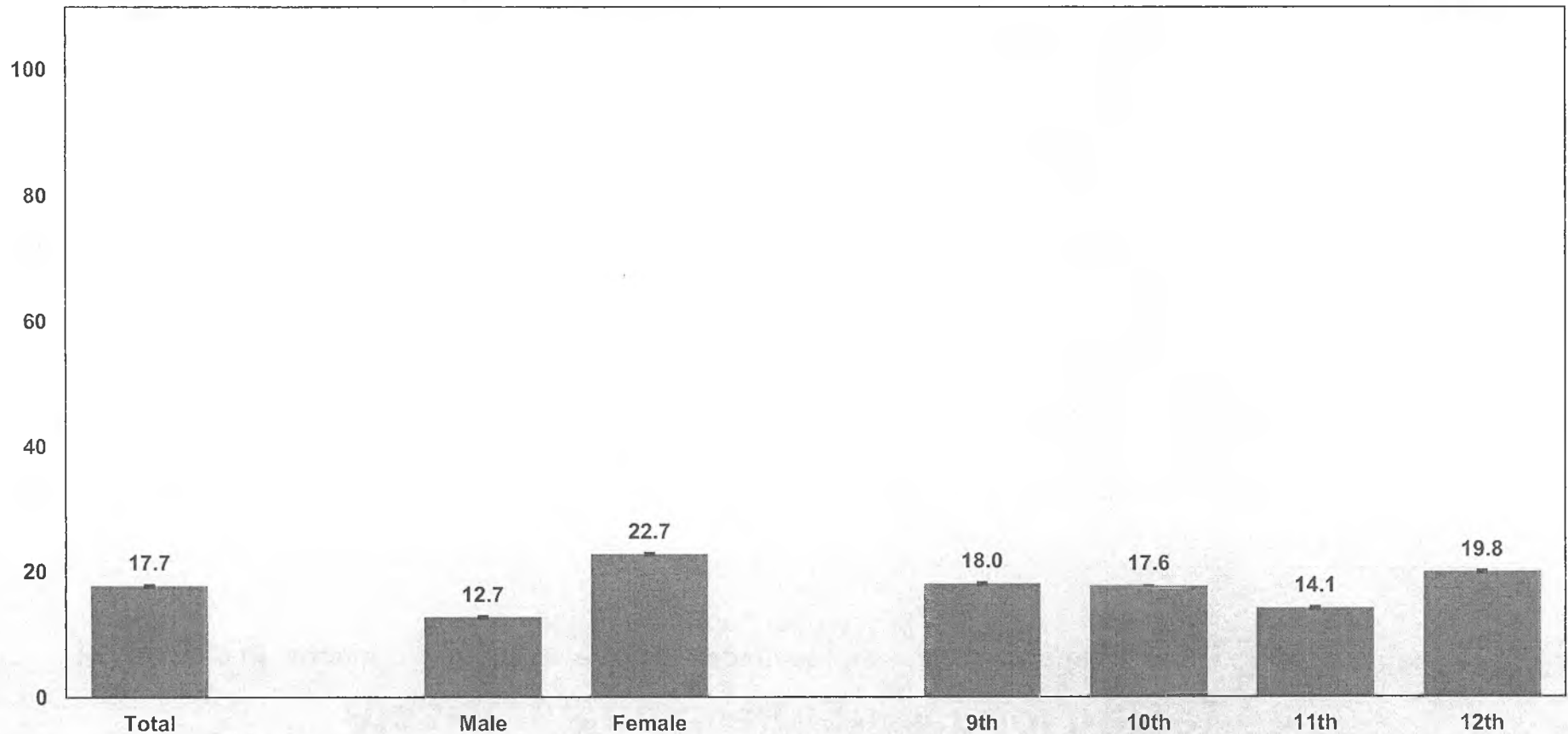
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who had ever been physically forced to have sexual intercourse when they did not want to



Q21 - Weighted Data

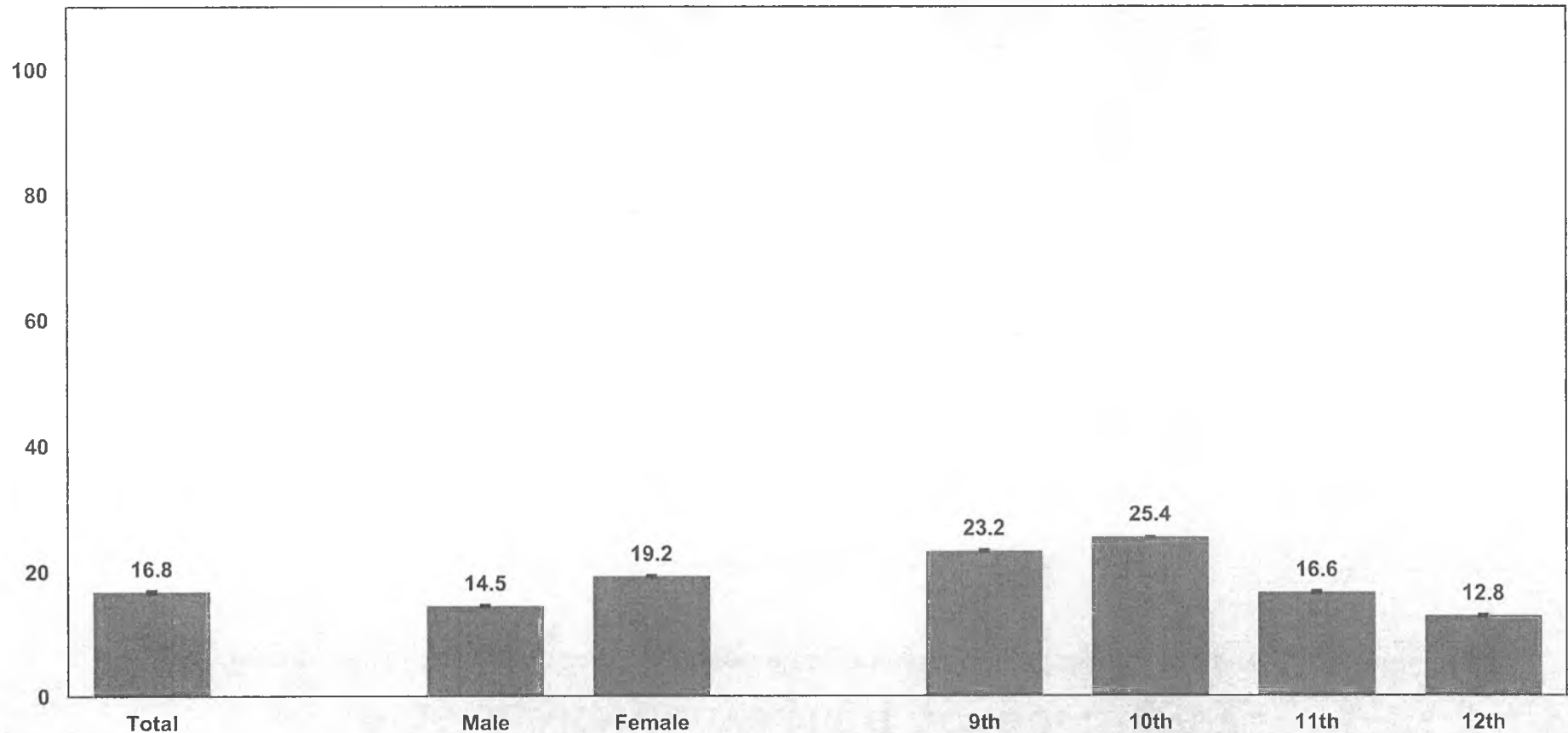
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who had ever been bullied on school property during the past 12 months



Q22 - Weighted Data

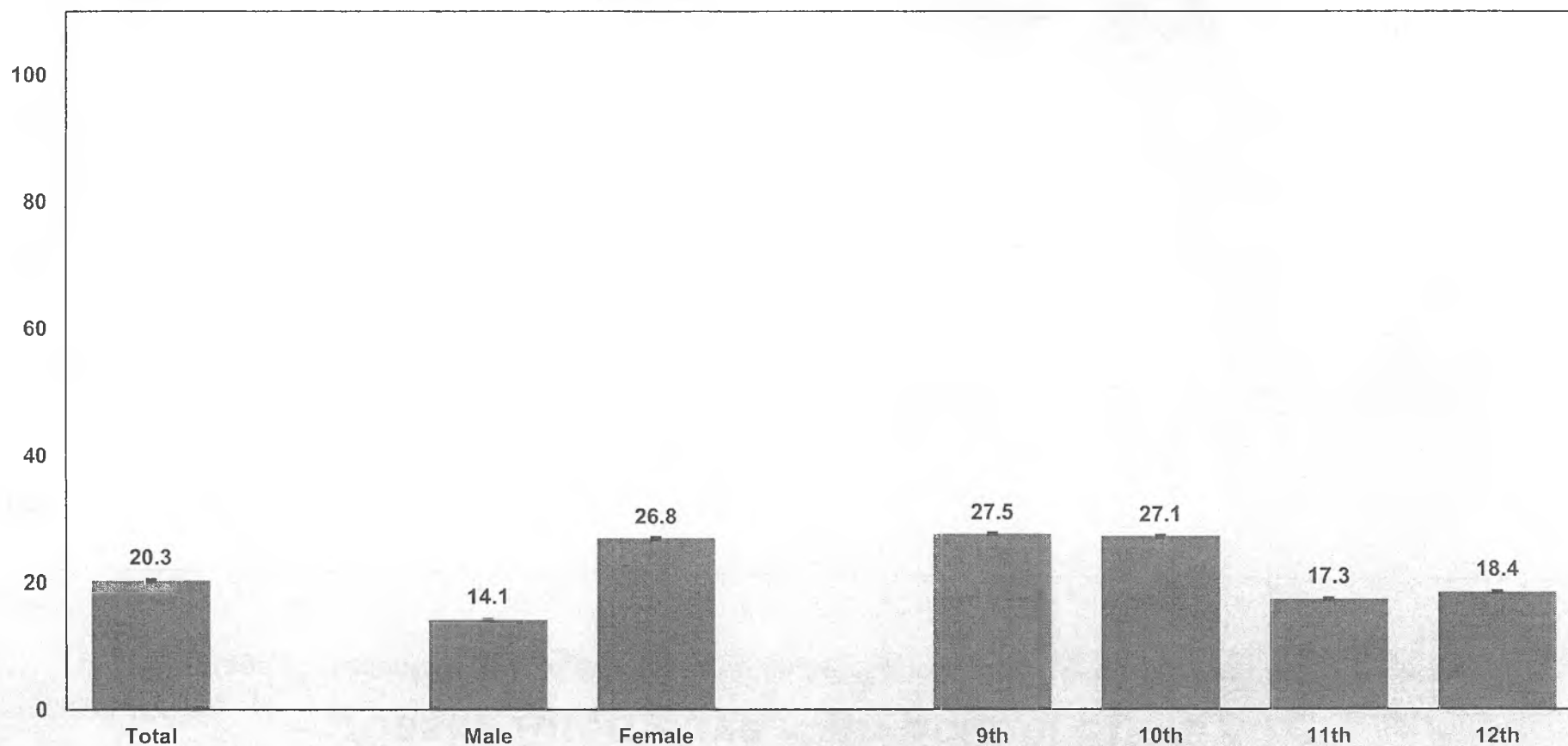
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who had ever been electronically bullied during the past 12 months



Q23 - Weighted Data

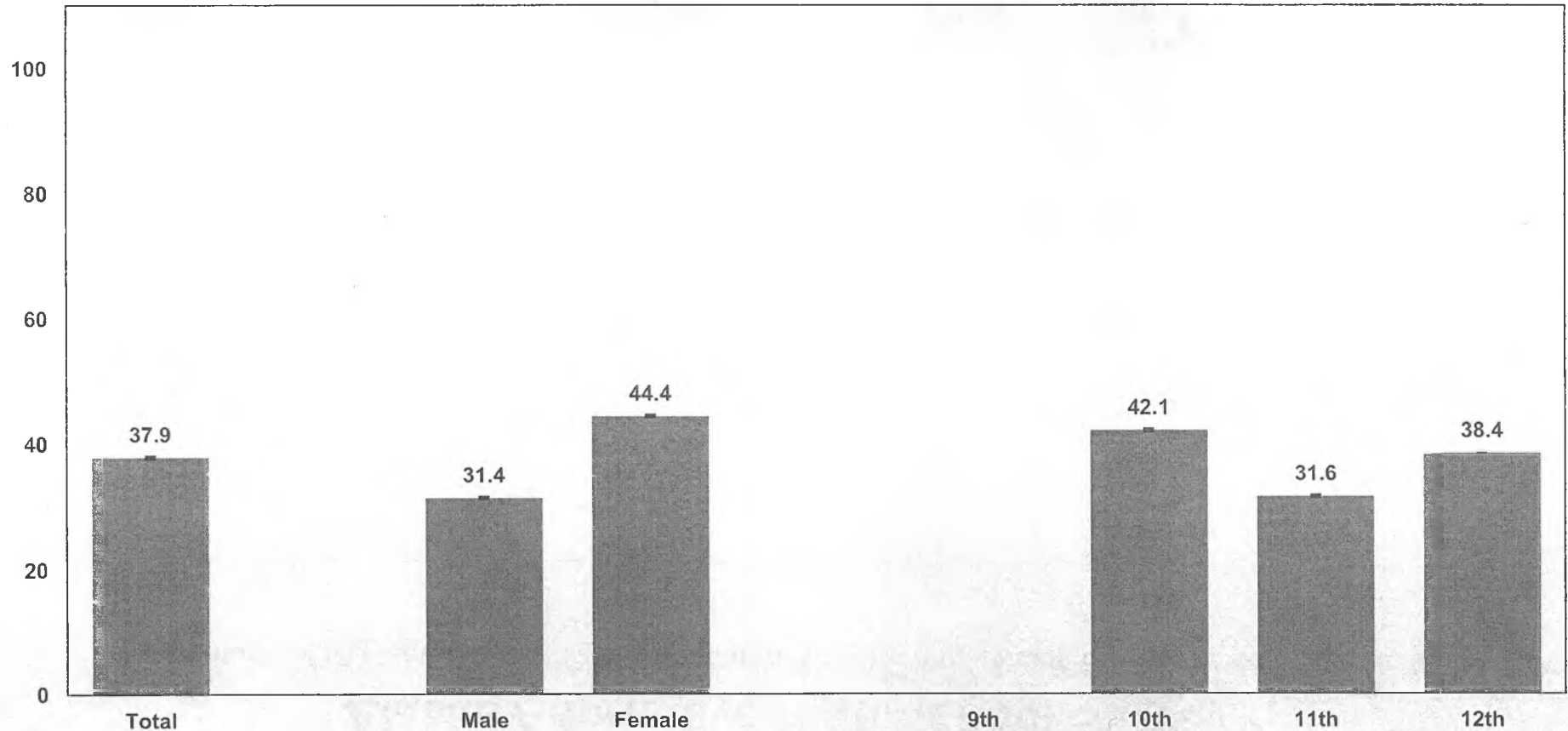
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who felt so sad or hopeless almost every day for two weeks or more in a row that they stopped doing some usual activities during the past 12 months



Q24 - Weighted Data

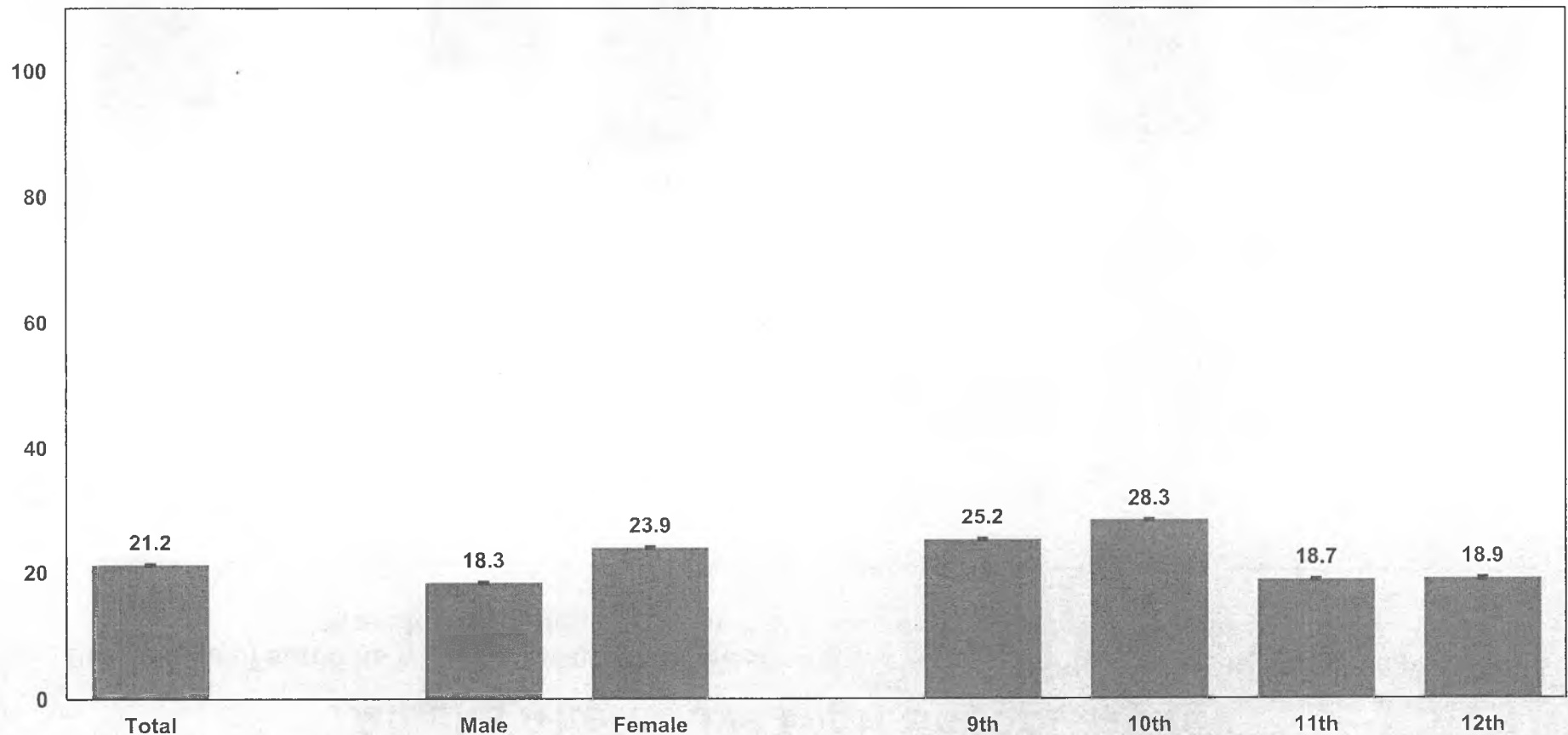
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who seriously considered attempting suicide during the past 12 months



Q25 - Weighted Data

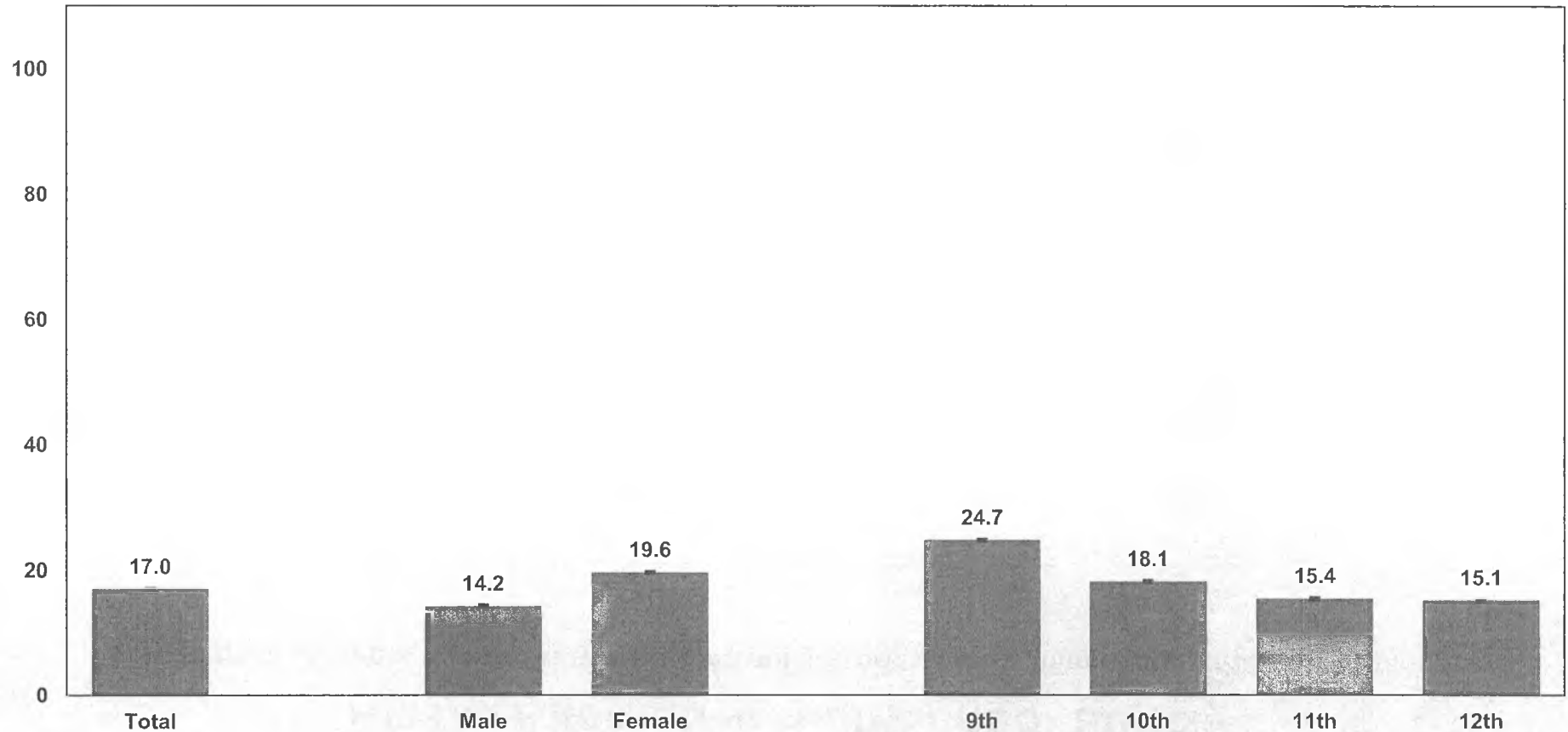
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who made a plan about how they would attempt suicide during the past 12 months



Q26 - Weighted Data

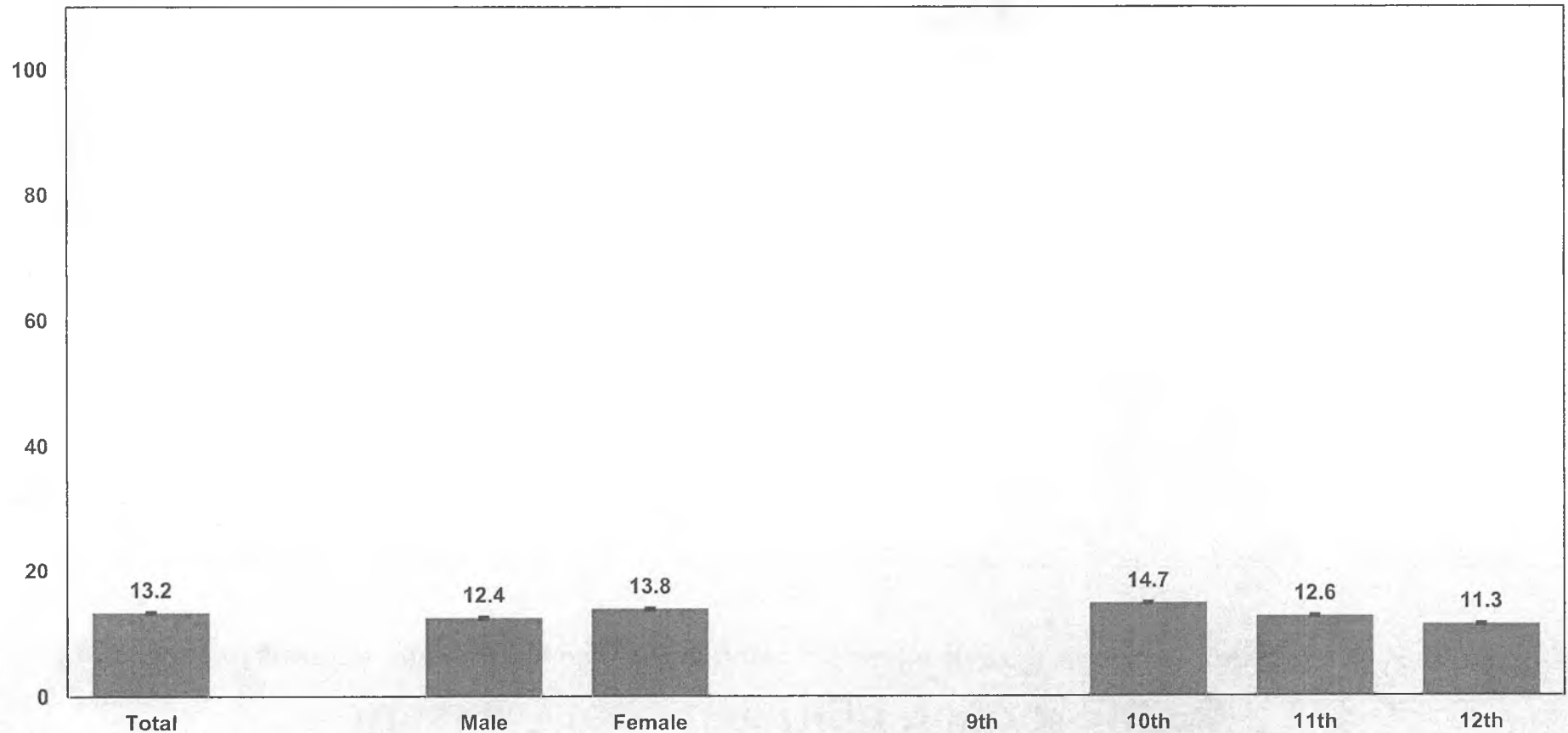
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who actually attempted suicide one or more times during the past 12 months



Q27 - Weighted Data

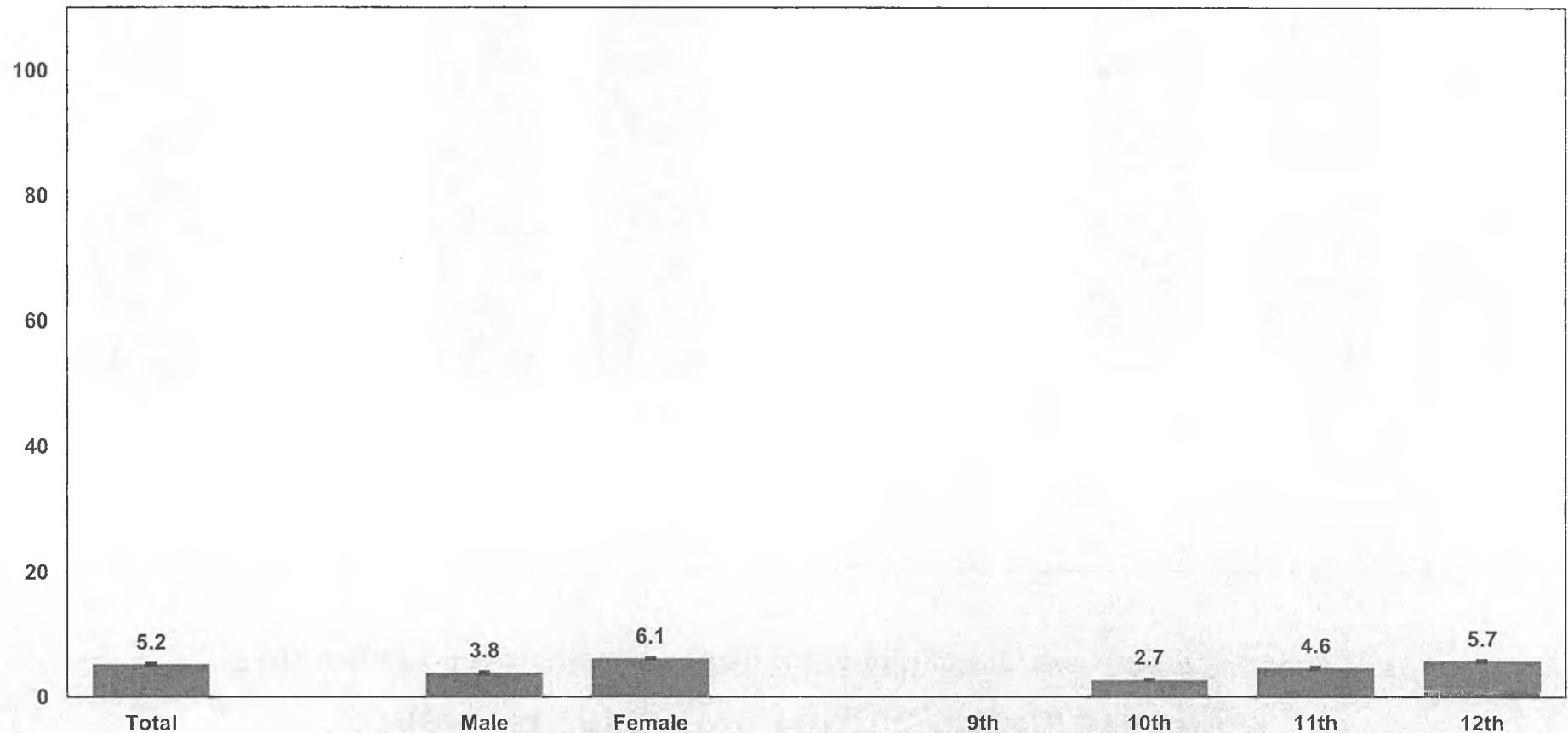
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who made a suicide attempt during the past 12 months that resulted in an injury, poisoning, or overdose that had to be treated by a doctor or nurse



Q28 - Weighted Data

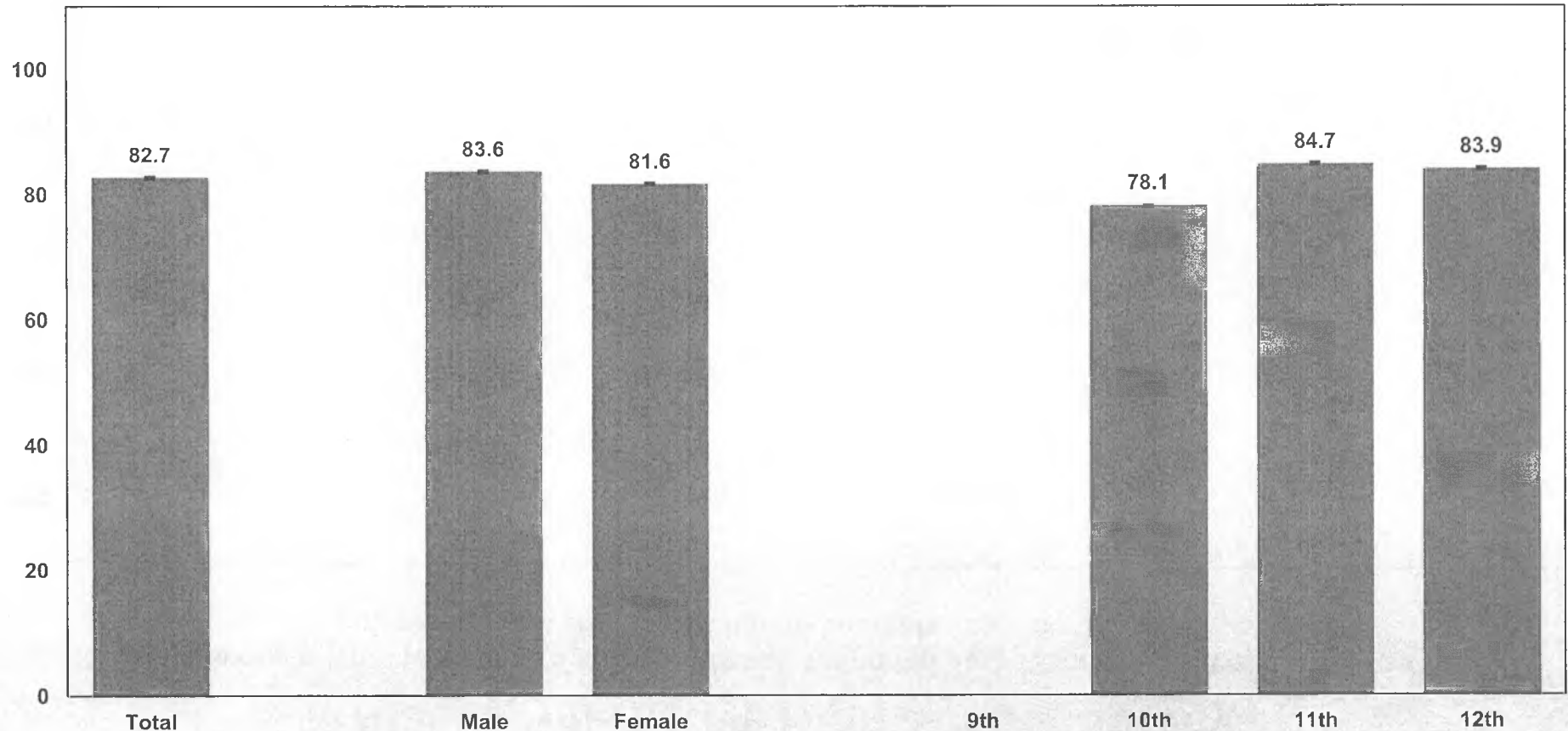
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who ever tried cigarette smoking, even one or two puffs



Q29 - Weighted Data

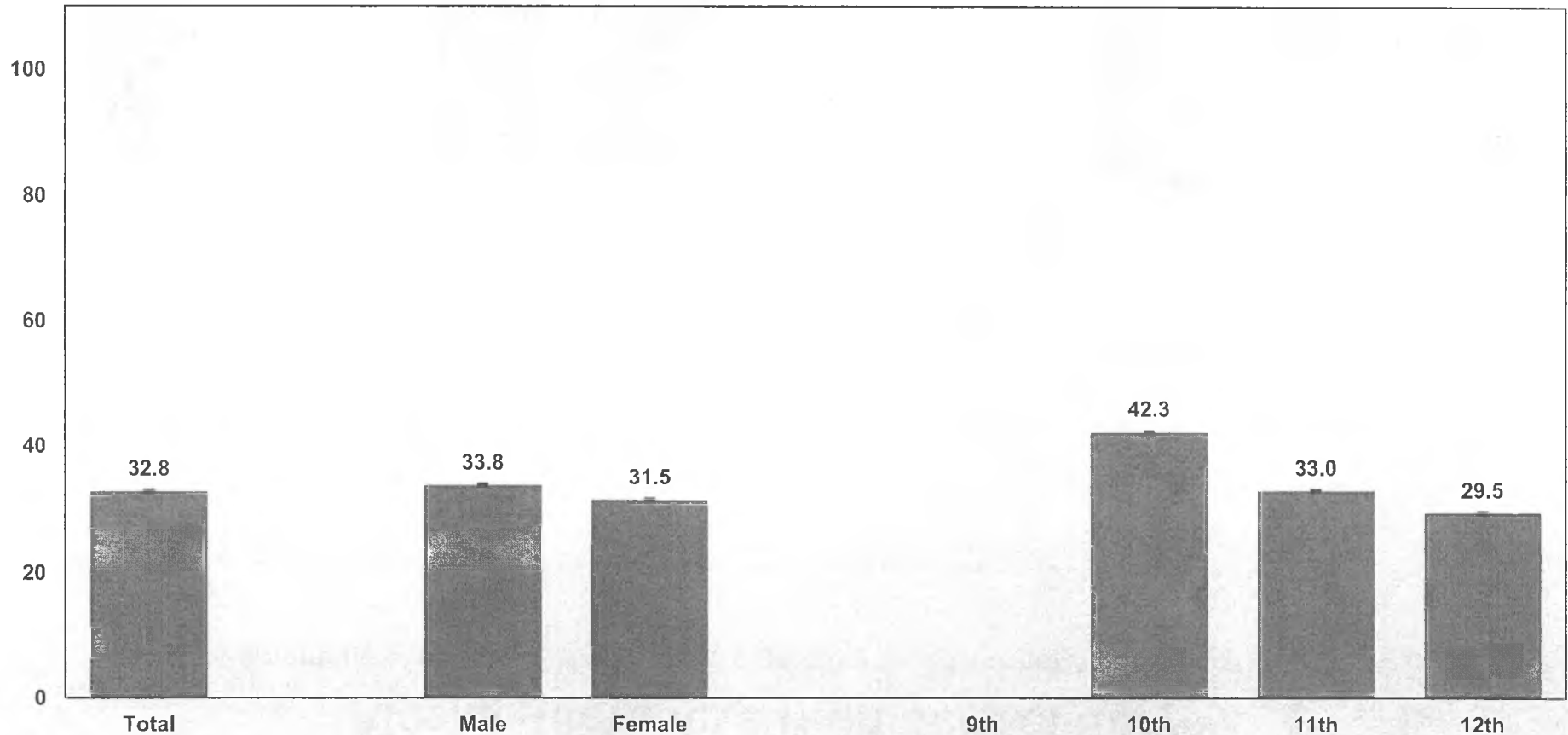
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who smoked a whole cigarette for the first time before age 13 years



Q30 - Weighted Data

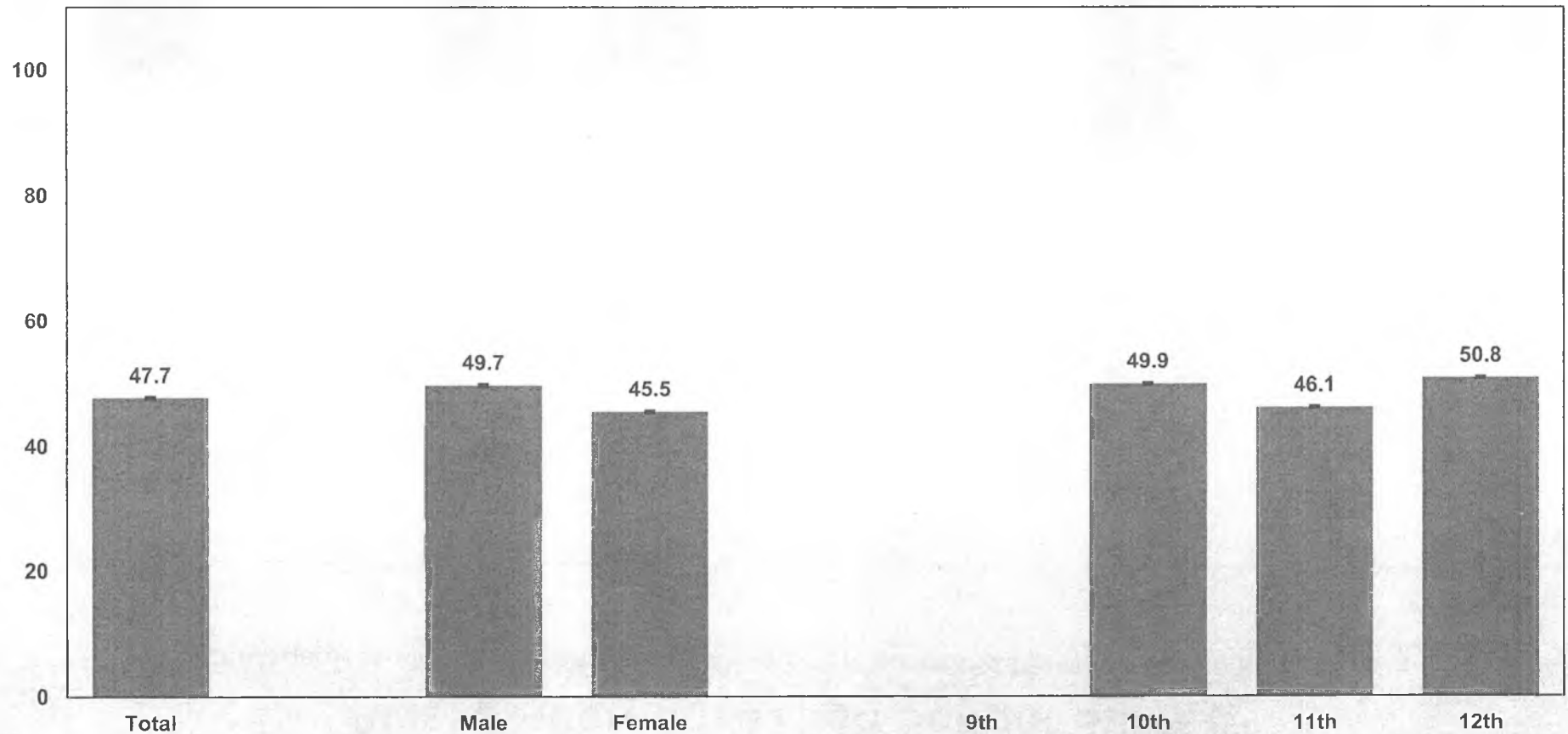
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who smoked cigarettes on one or more of the past 30 days



Q31 - Weighted Data

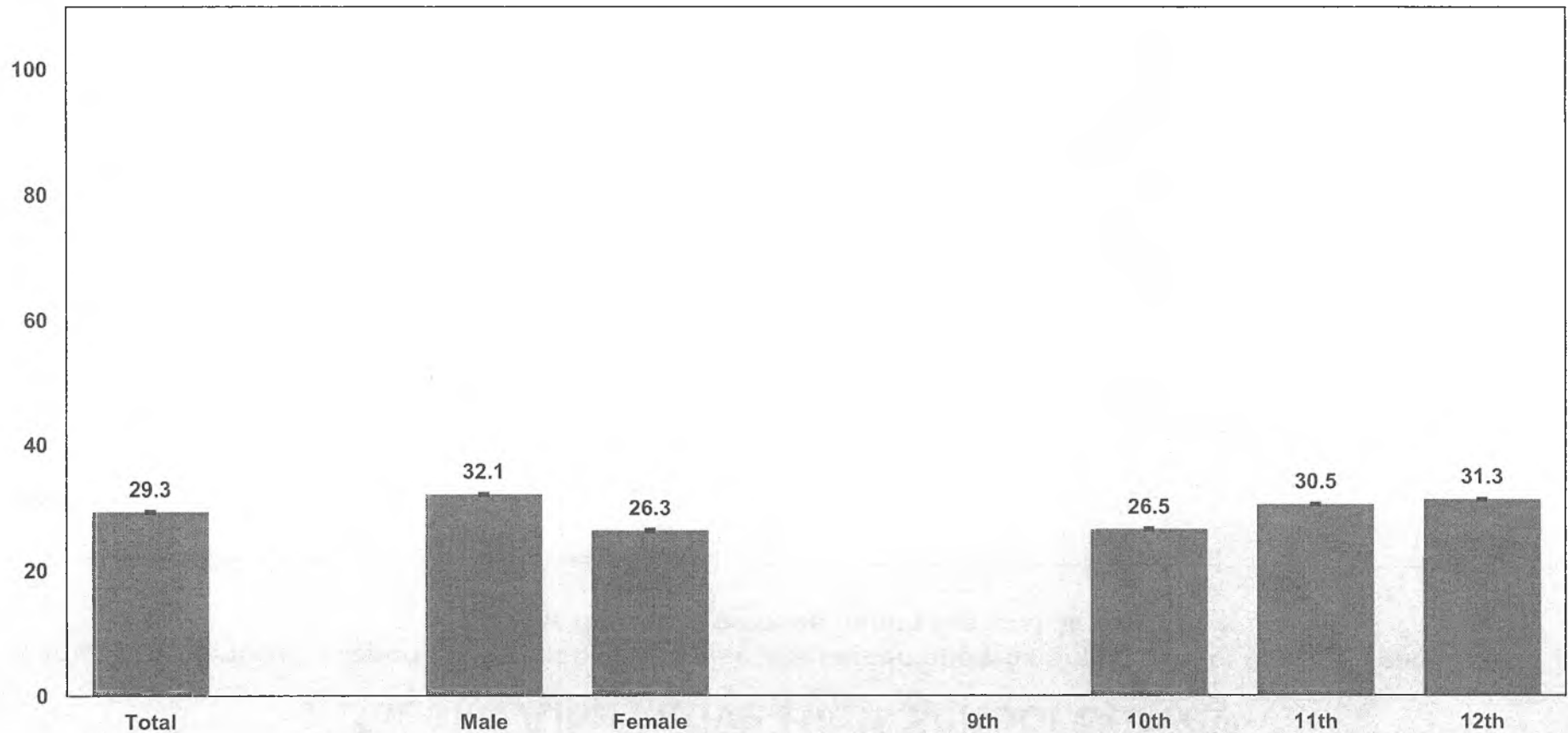
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who smoked cigarettes on 20 or more of the past 30 days



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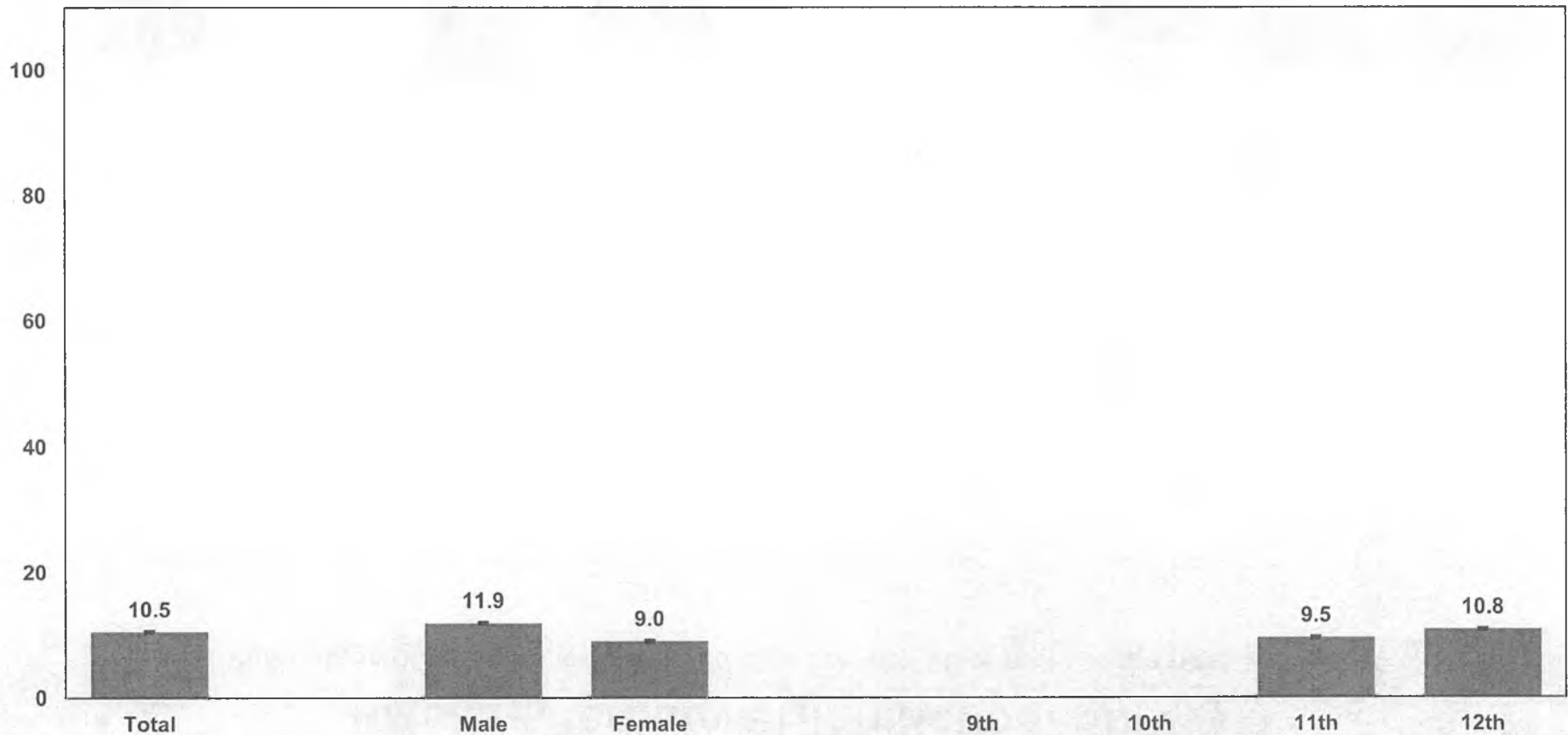
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Among students who reported current cigarette use, the percentage who smoked more than 10 cigarettes per day on the days they smoked during the past 30 days



Q32 - Weighted Data

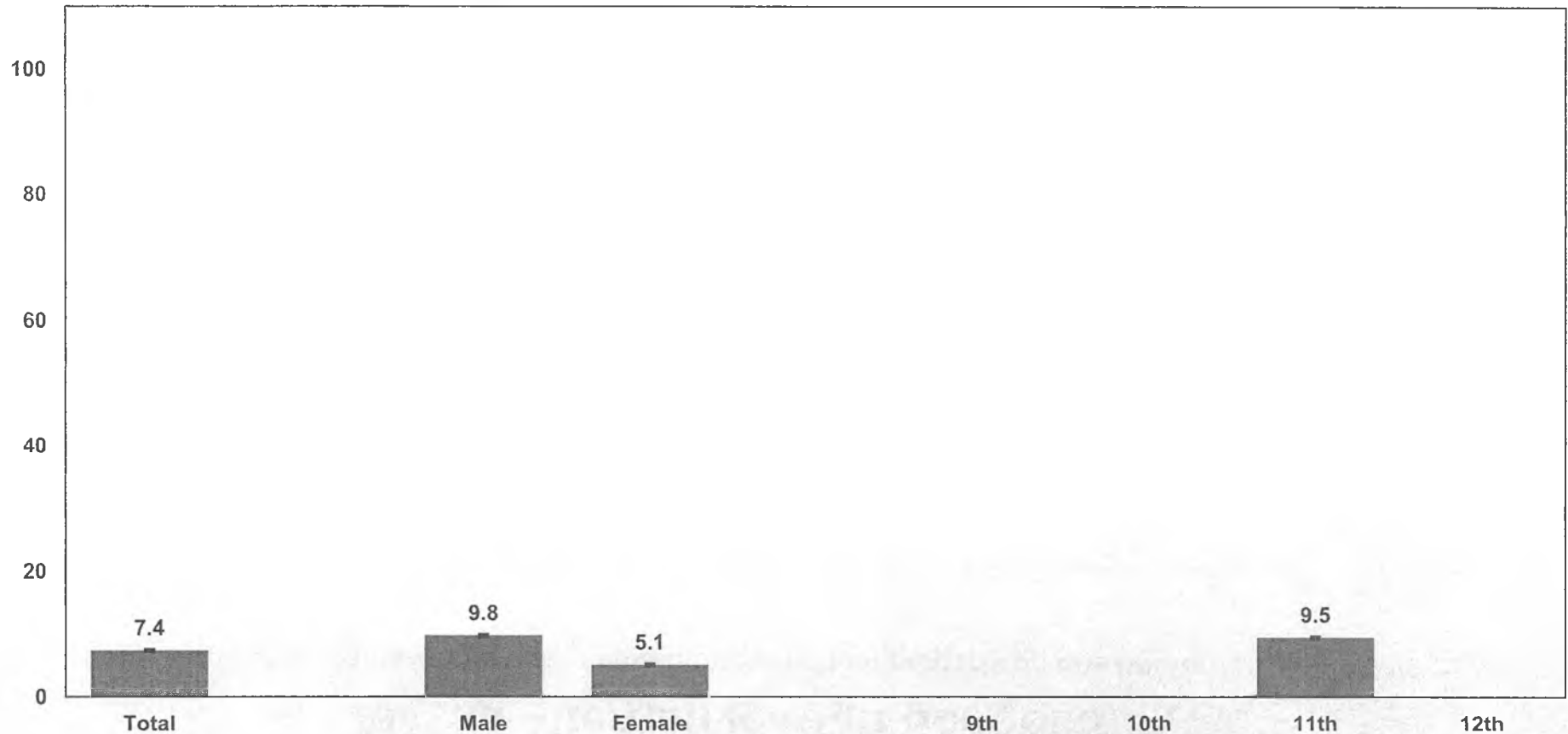
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Among students who were less than 18 years of age and who reported current cigarette use, the percentage who usually got their own cigarettes by buying them in a store or gas station during the past 30 days



Q33 - Weighted Data

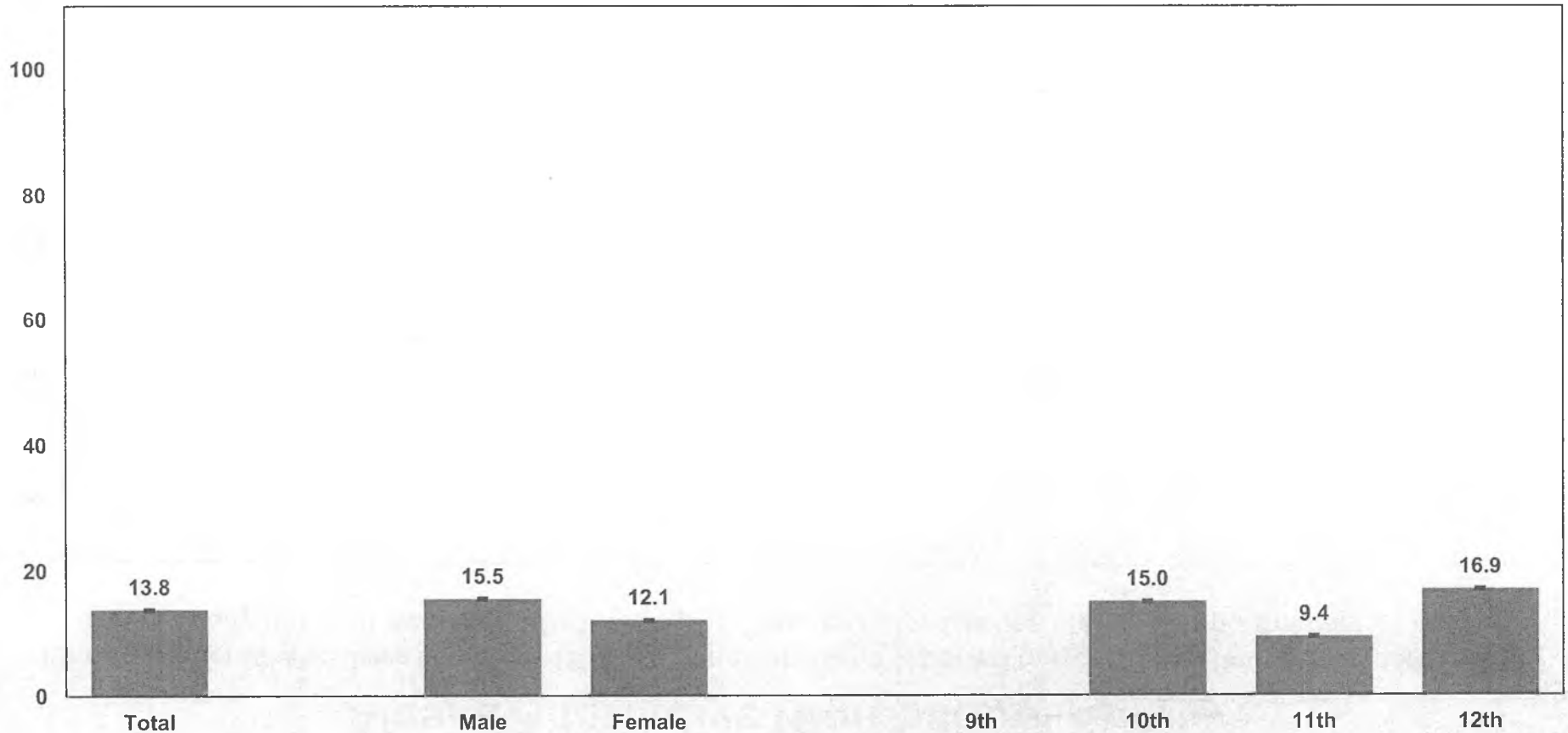
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who smoked cigarettes on school property on one or more of the past 30 days



Q34 - Weighted Data

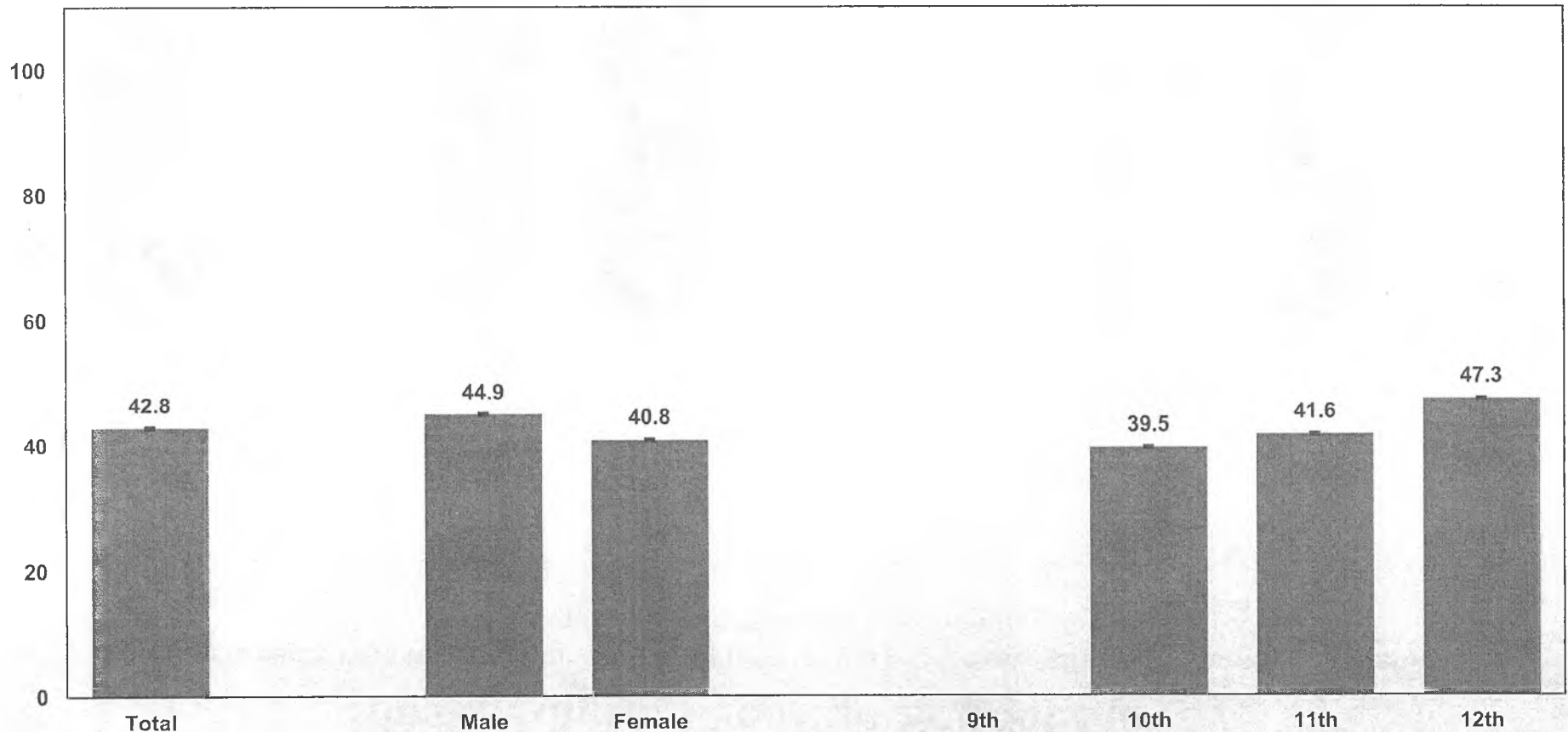
*Non-Hispanic.

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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who ever smoked cigarettes daily, that is, at least one cigarette every day for 30 days



Q35 - Weighted Data

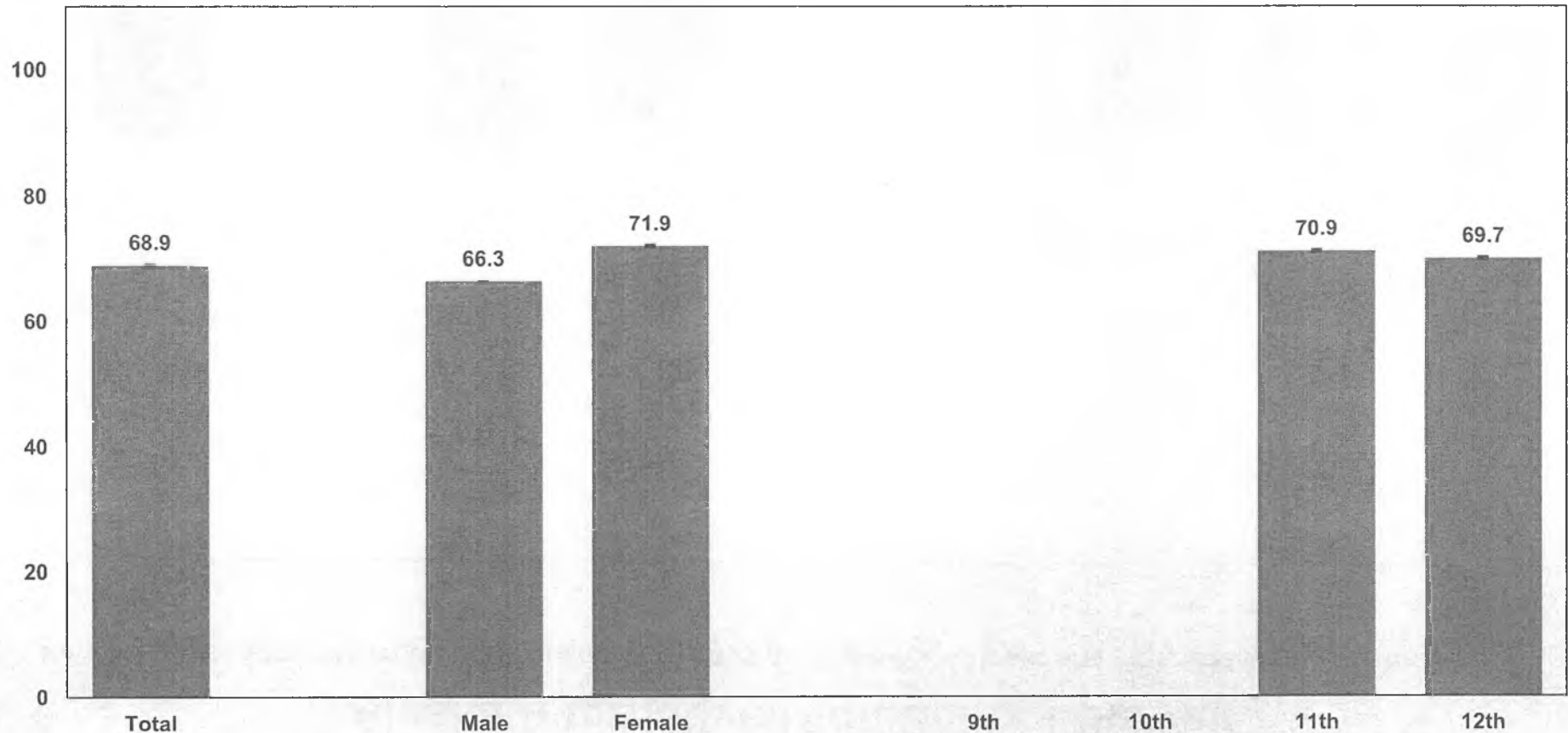
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Among students who reported current cigarette use, the percentage who ever tried to quit smoking cigarettes during the past 12 months



Q36 - Weighted Data

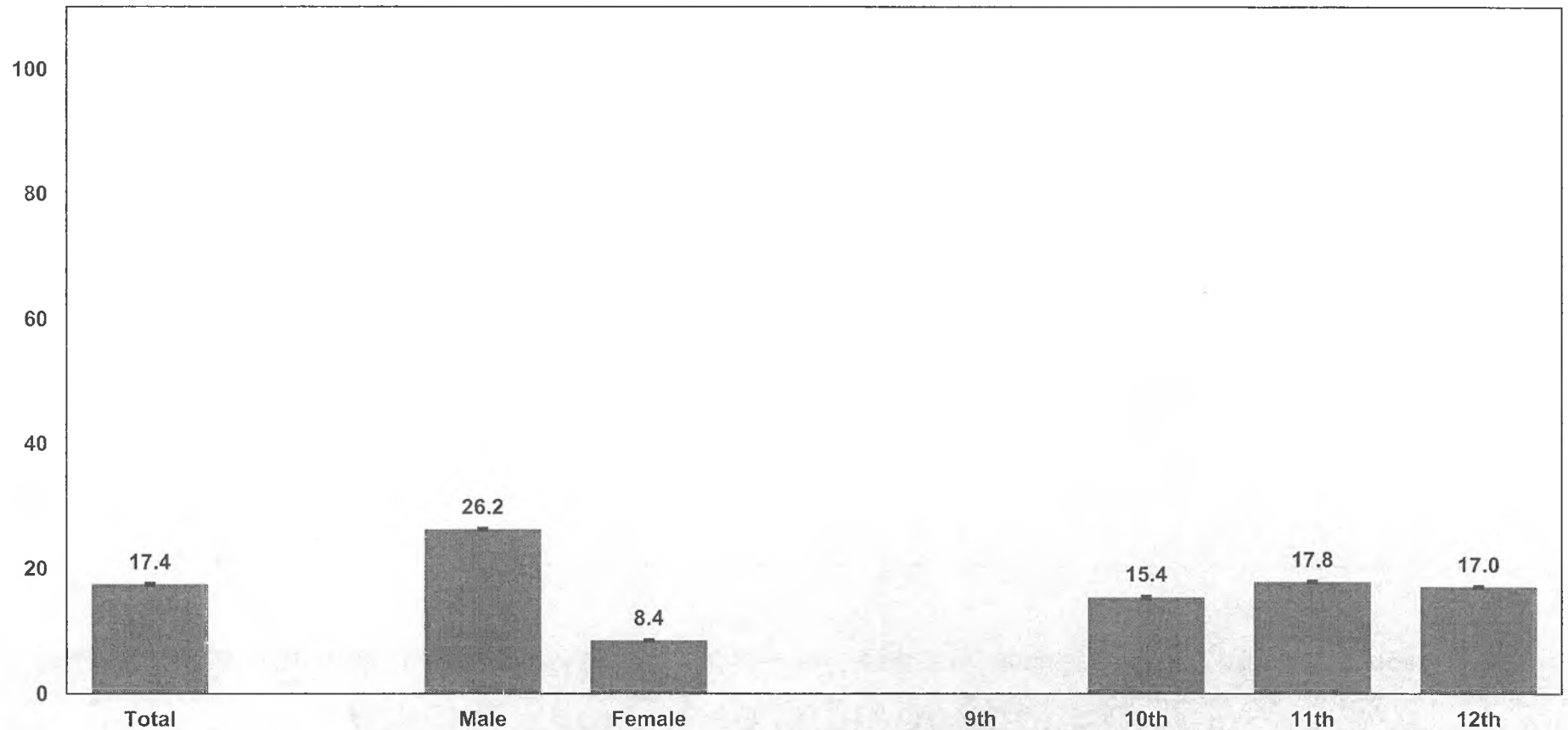
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who used chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip on one or more of the past 30 days



Q37 - Weighted Data

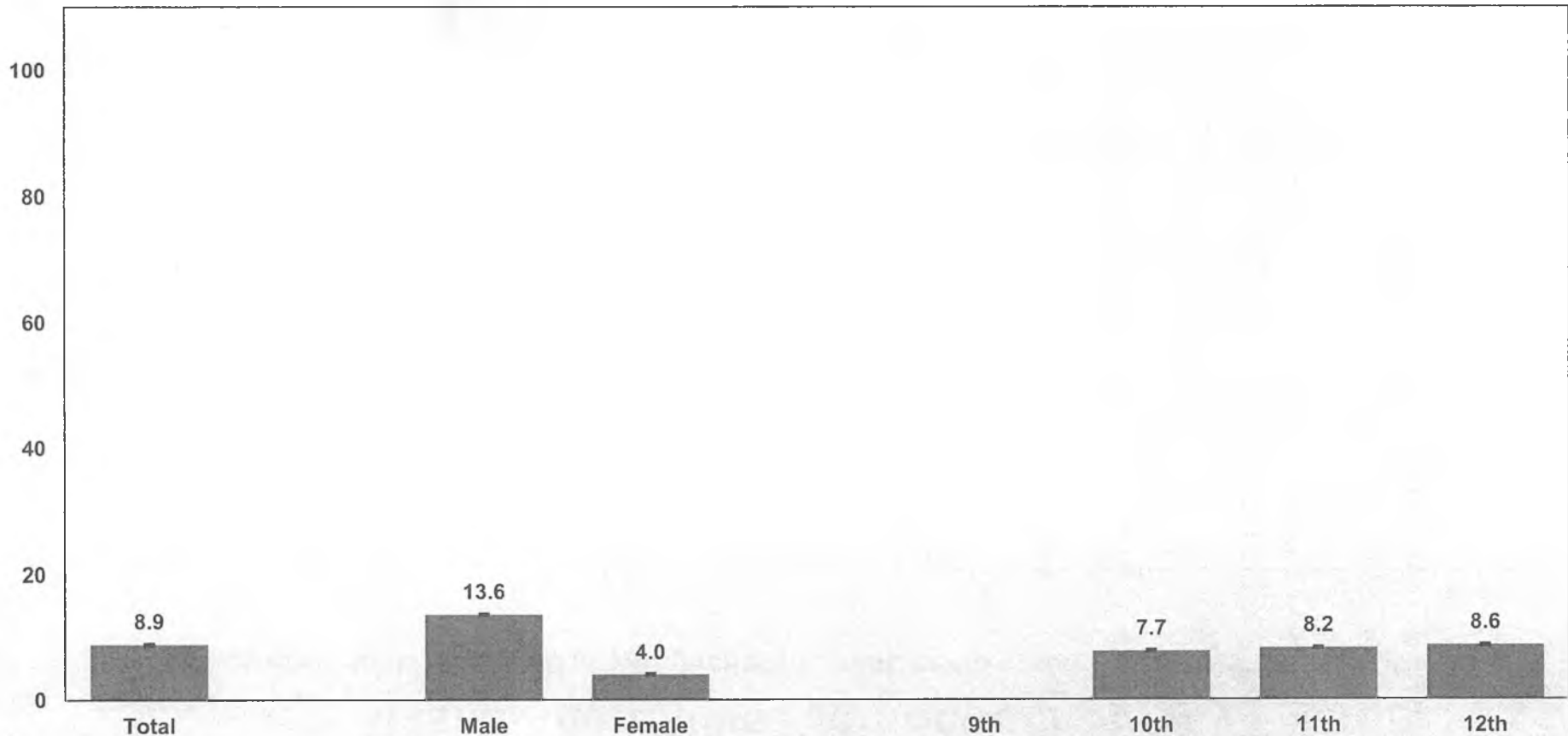
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who used chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip on school property on one or more of the past 30 days



Q38 - Weighted Data

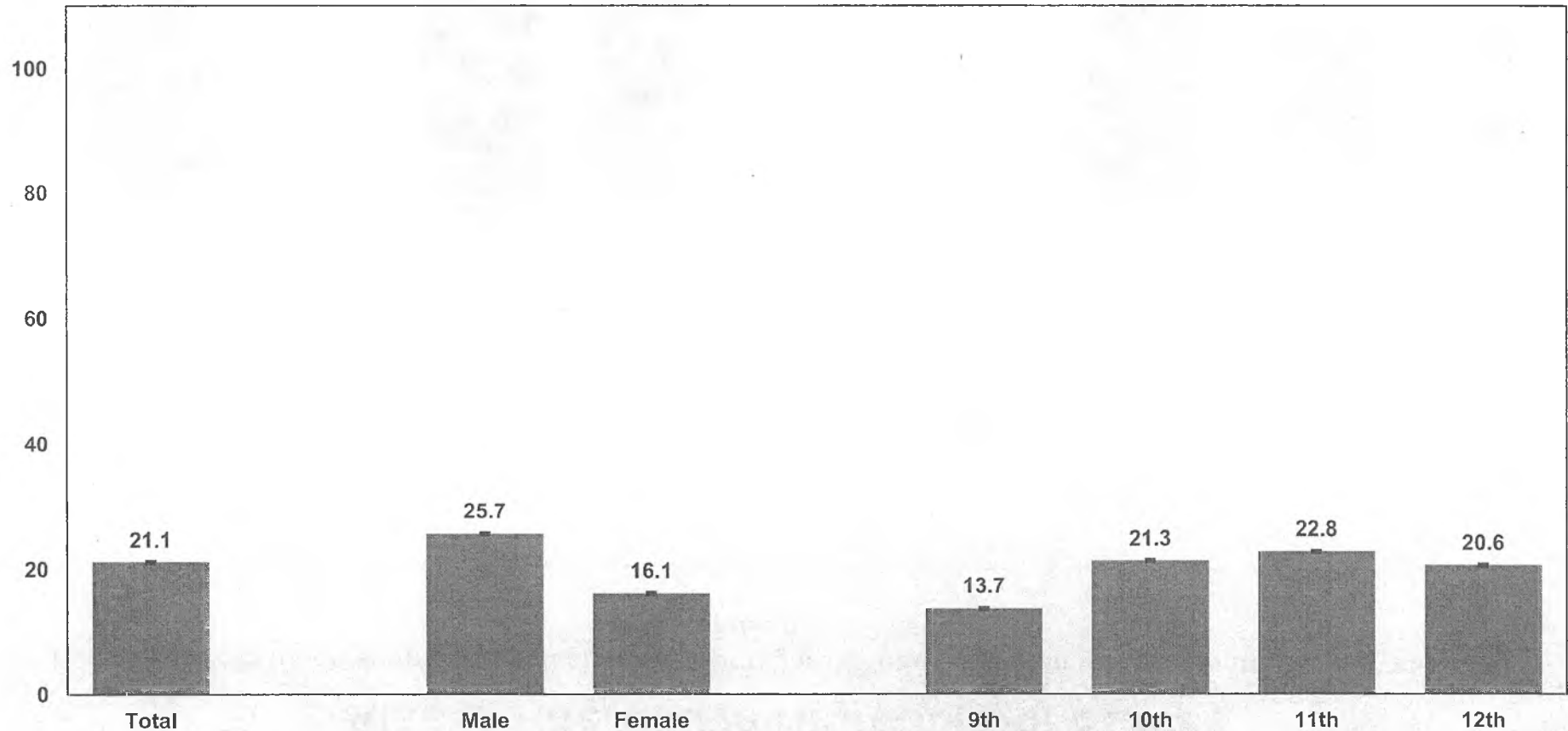
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who smoked cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars on one or more of the past 30 days



Q39 - Weighted Data

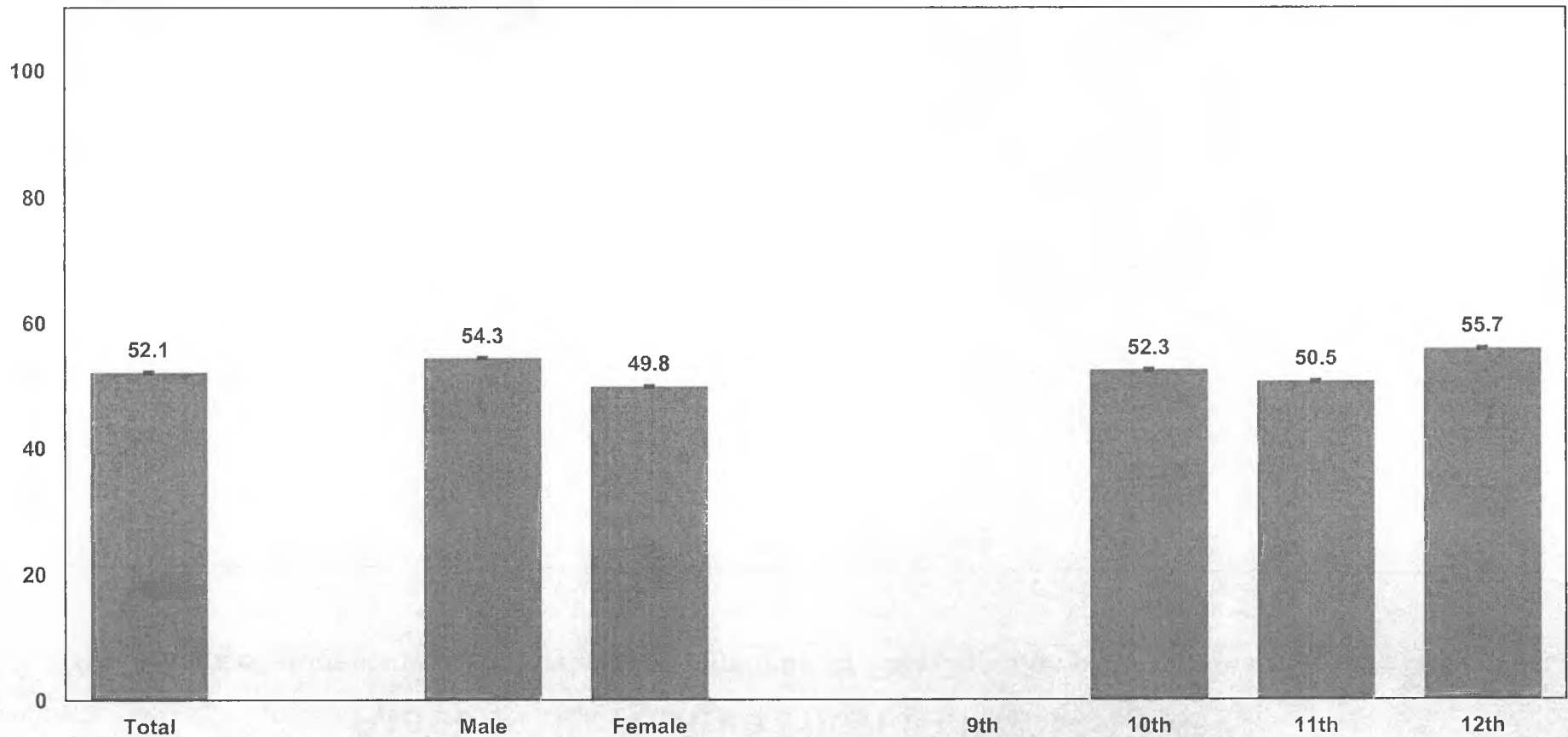
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who smoked cigarettes or cigars or used chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip on one or more of the past 30 days



QNANYTOB - Weighted Data

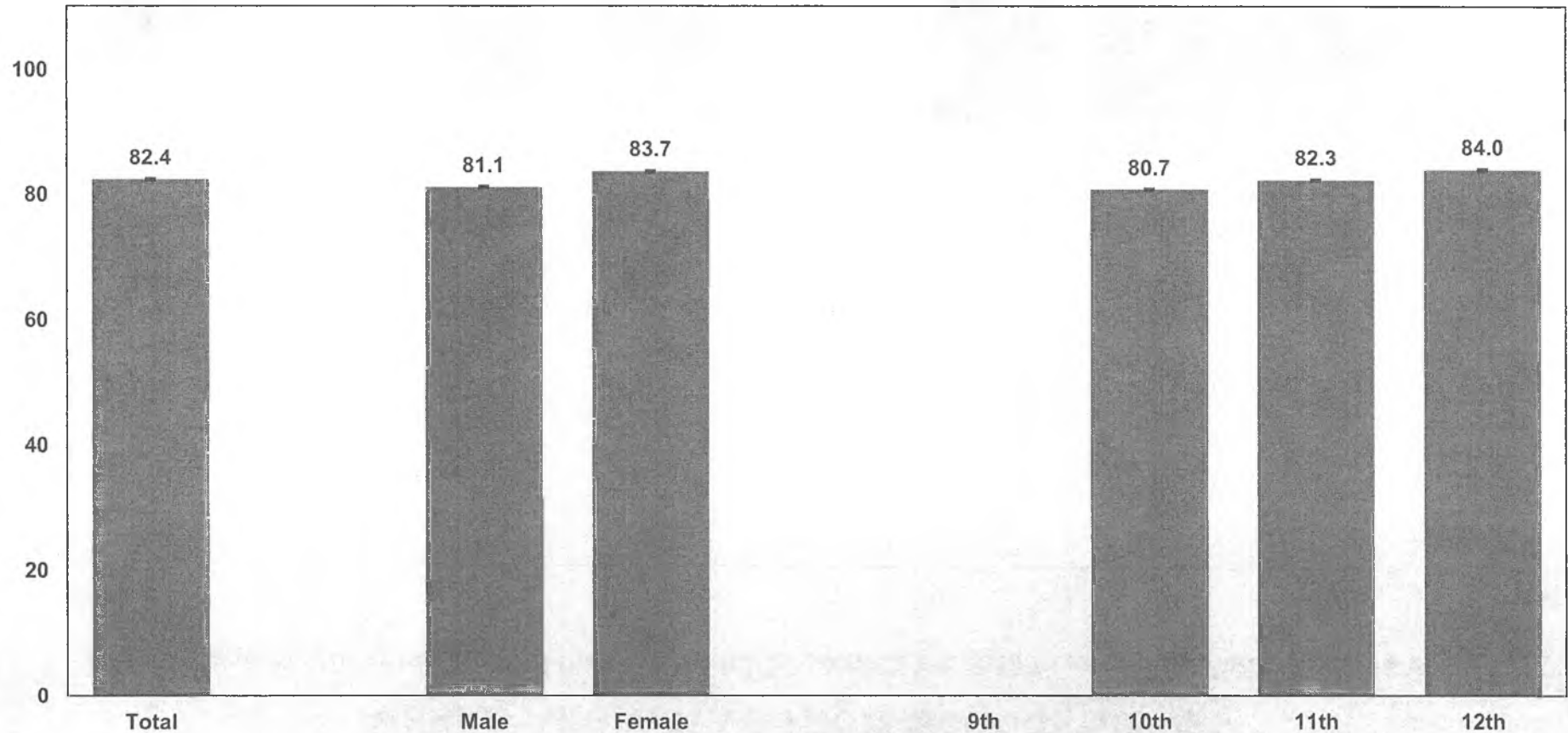
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who had at least one drink of alcohol on one or more days during their life



Q40 - Weighted Data

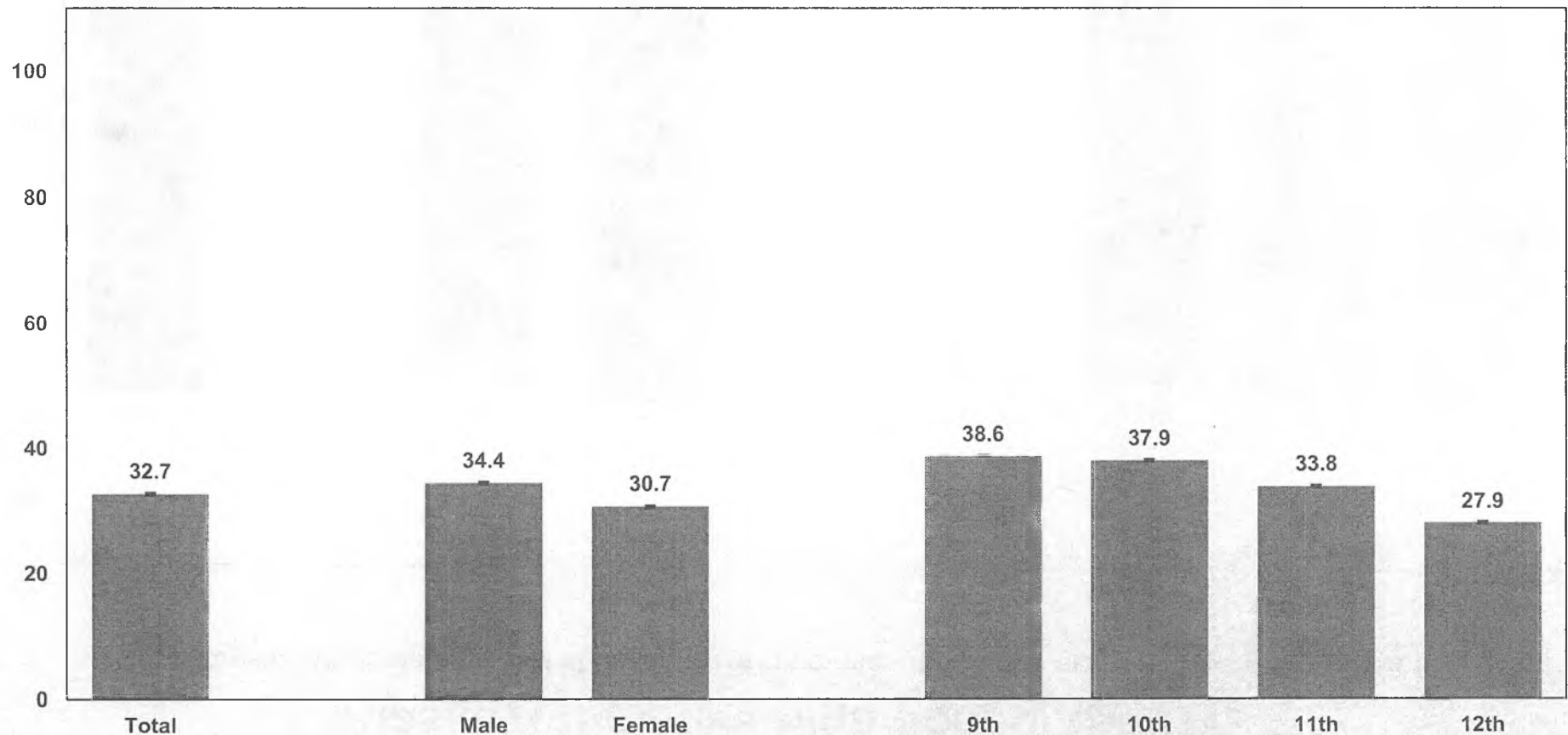
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who had their first drink of alcohol other than a few sips before age 13 years



Q41 - Weighted Data

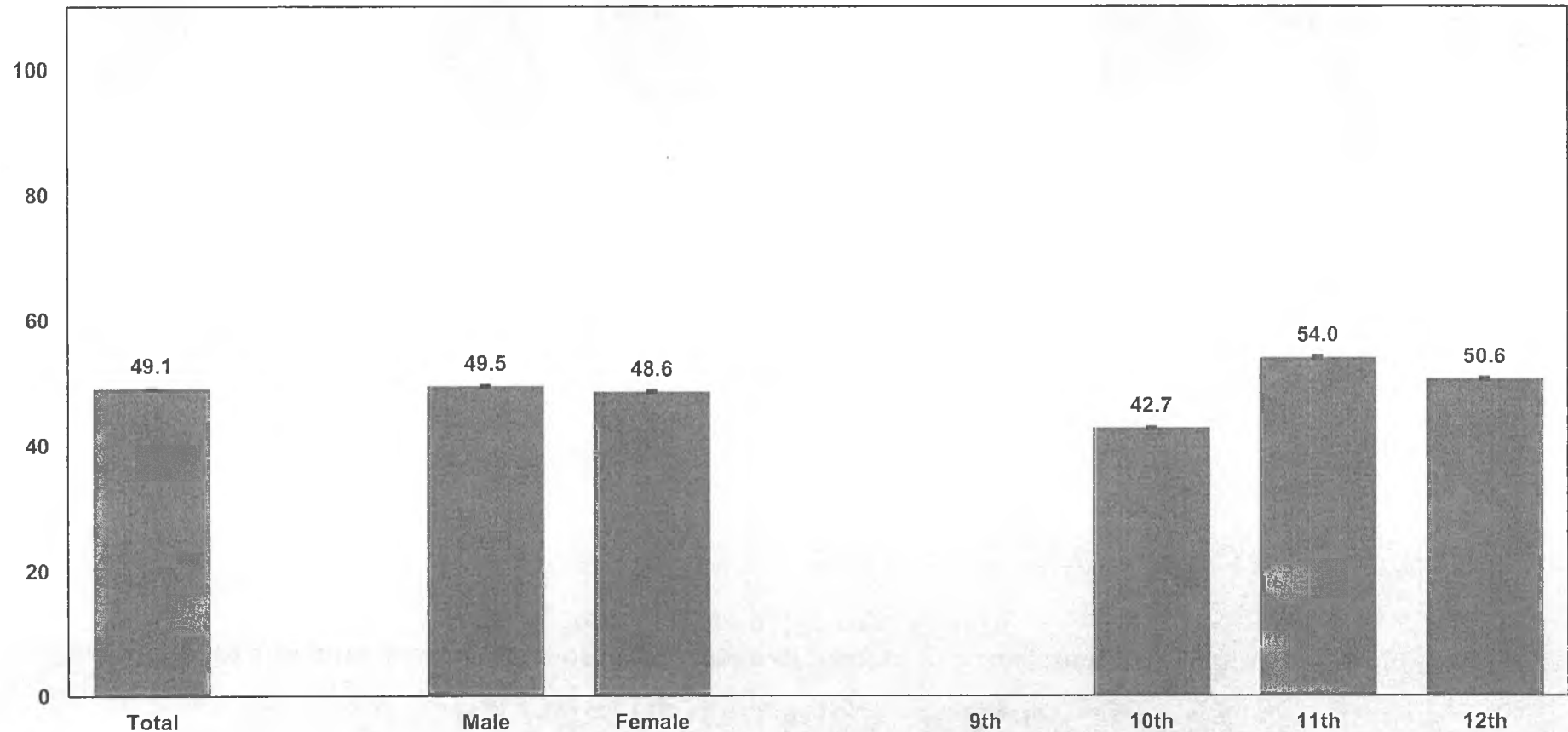
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who had at least one drink of alcohol on one or more of the past 30 days



Q42 - Weighted Data

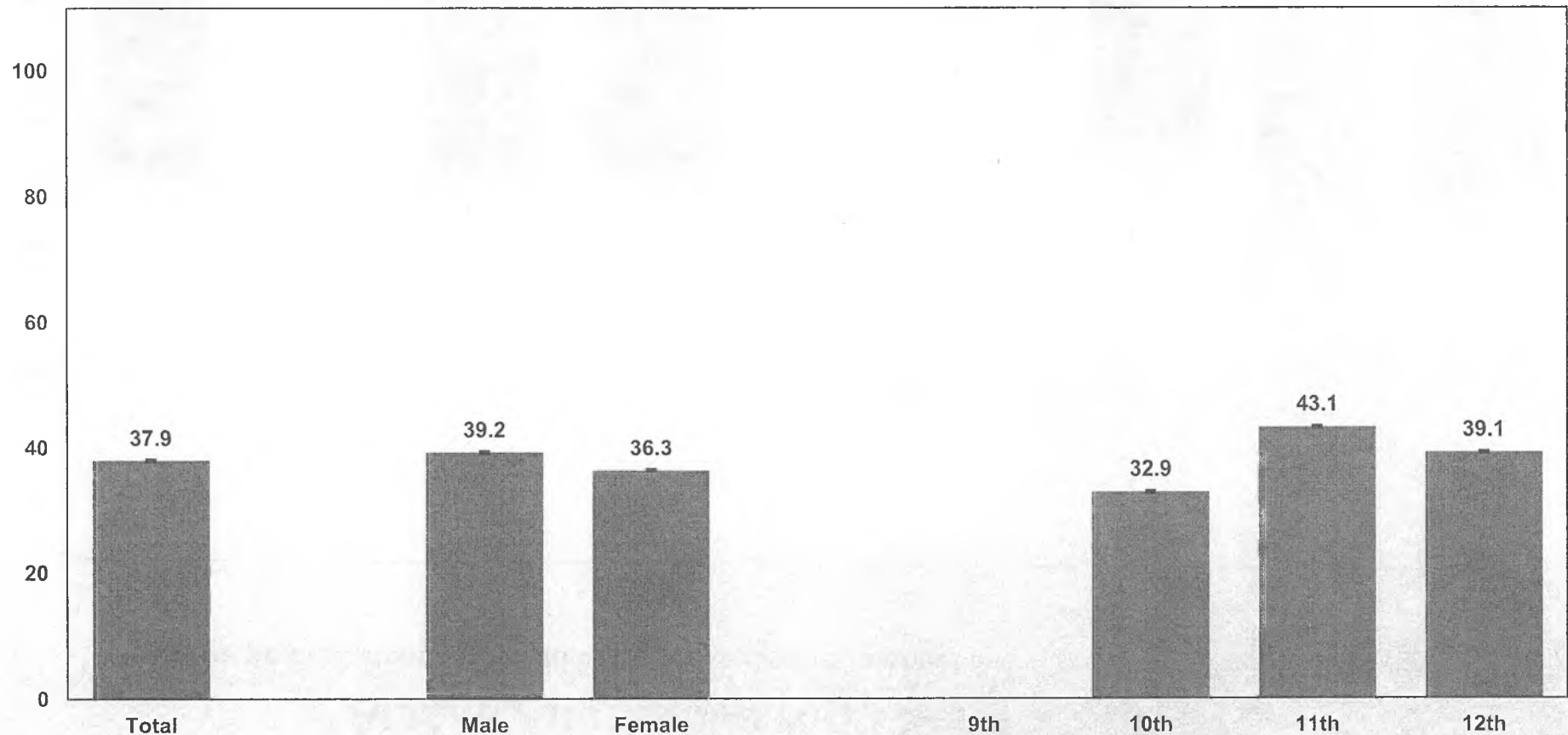
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who had five or more drinks of alcohol in a row, that is, within a couple of hours, on one or more of the past 30 days



Q43 - Weighted Data

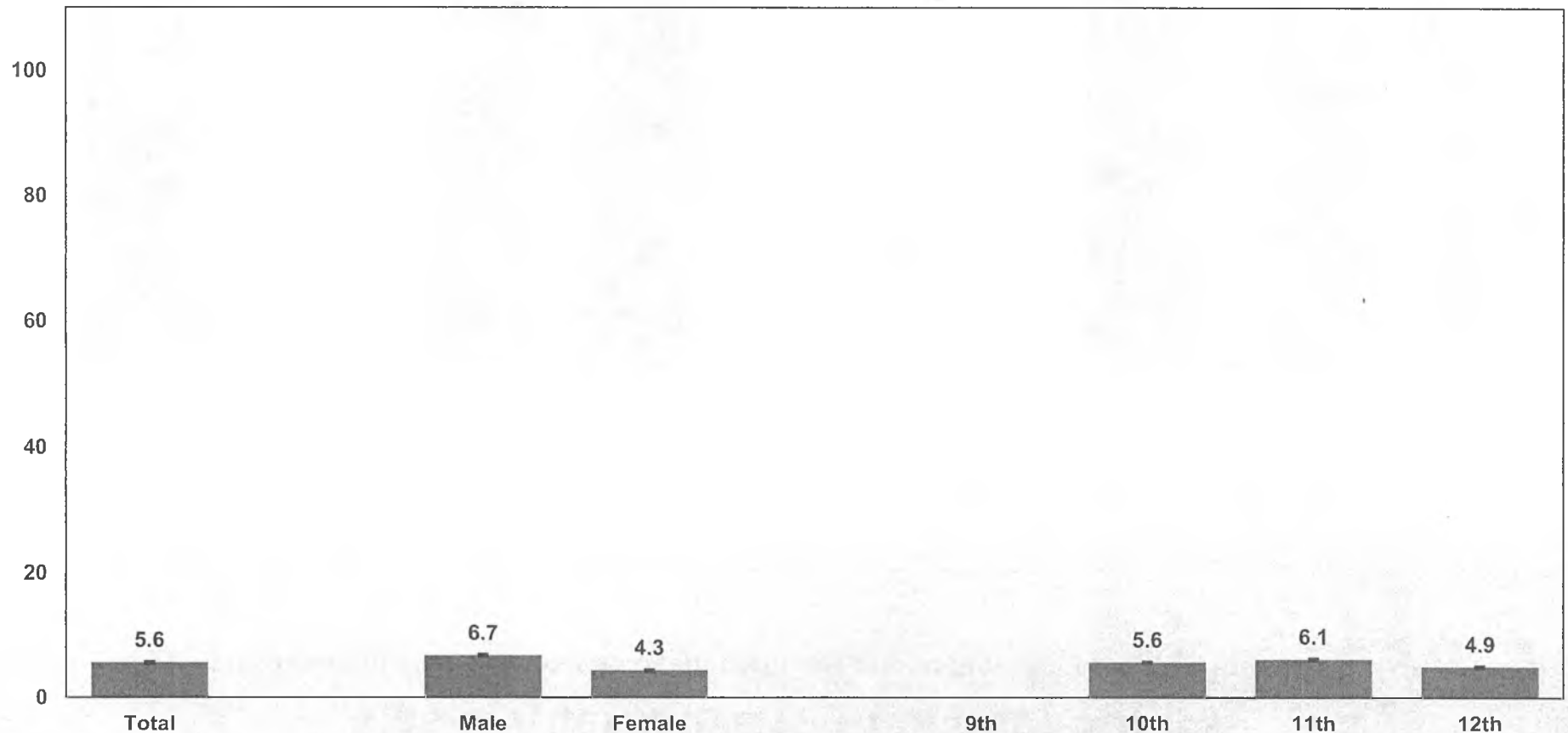
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who had at least one drink of alcohol on school property on one or more of the past 30 days



Q45 - Weighted Data

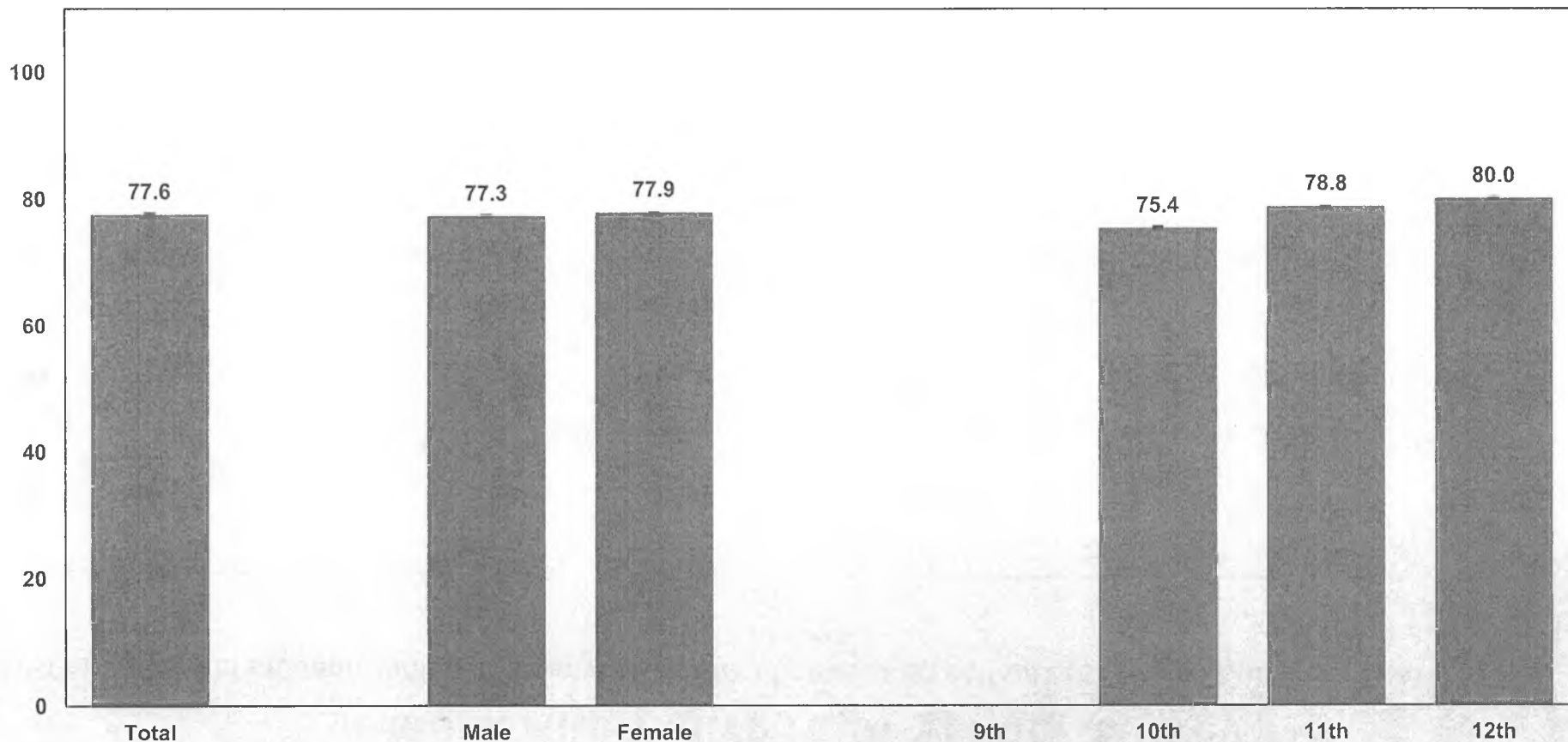
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who used marijuana one or more times during their life



Q46 - Weighted Data

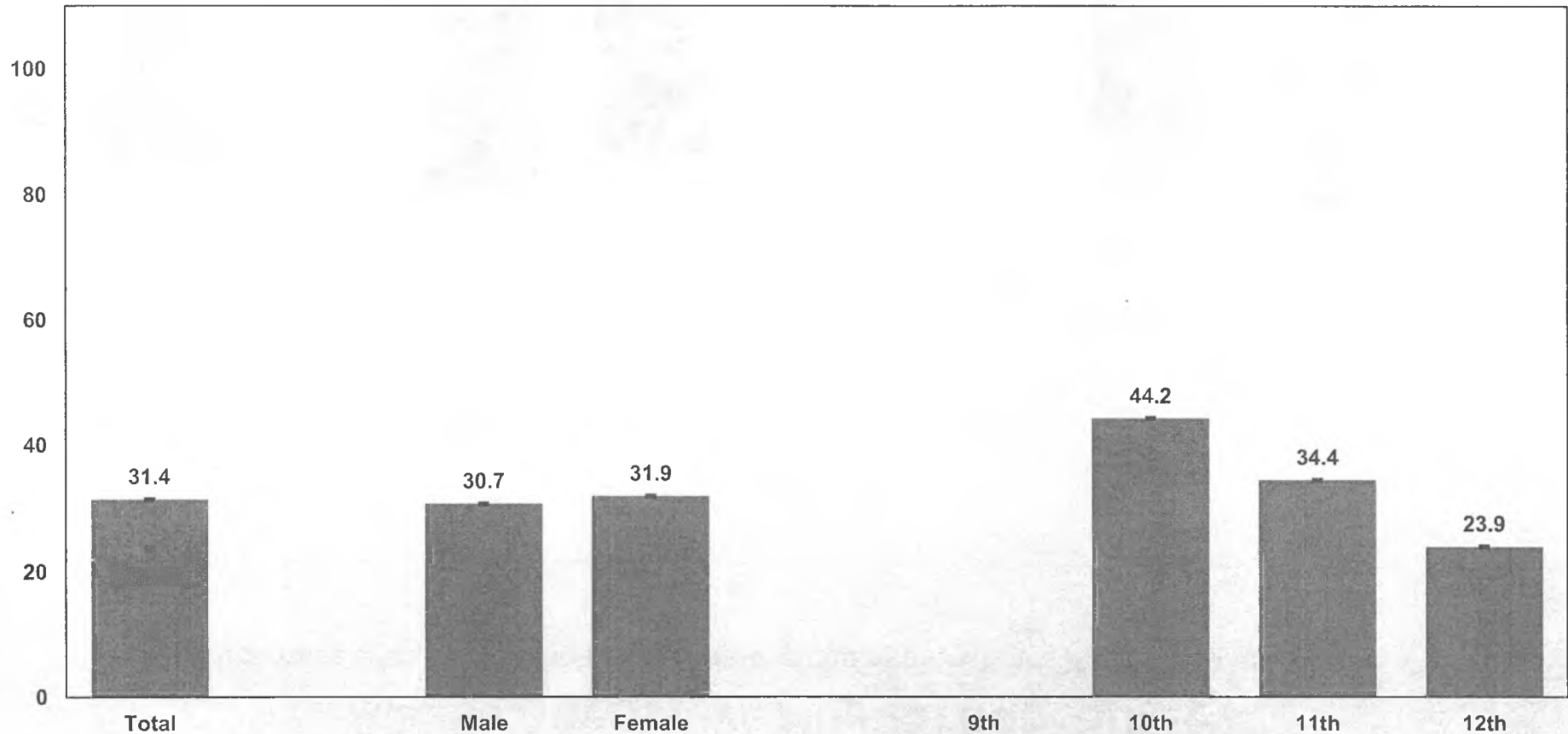
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who tried marijuana for the first time before age 13 years



Q47 - Weighted Data

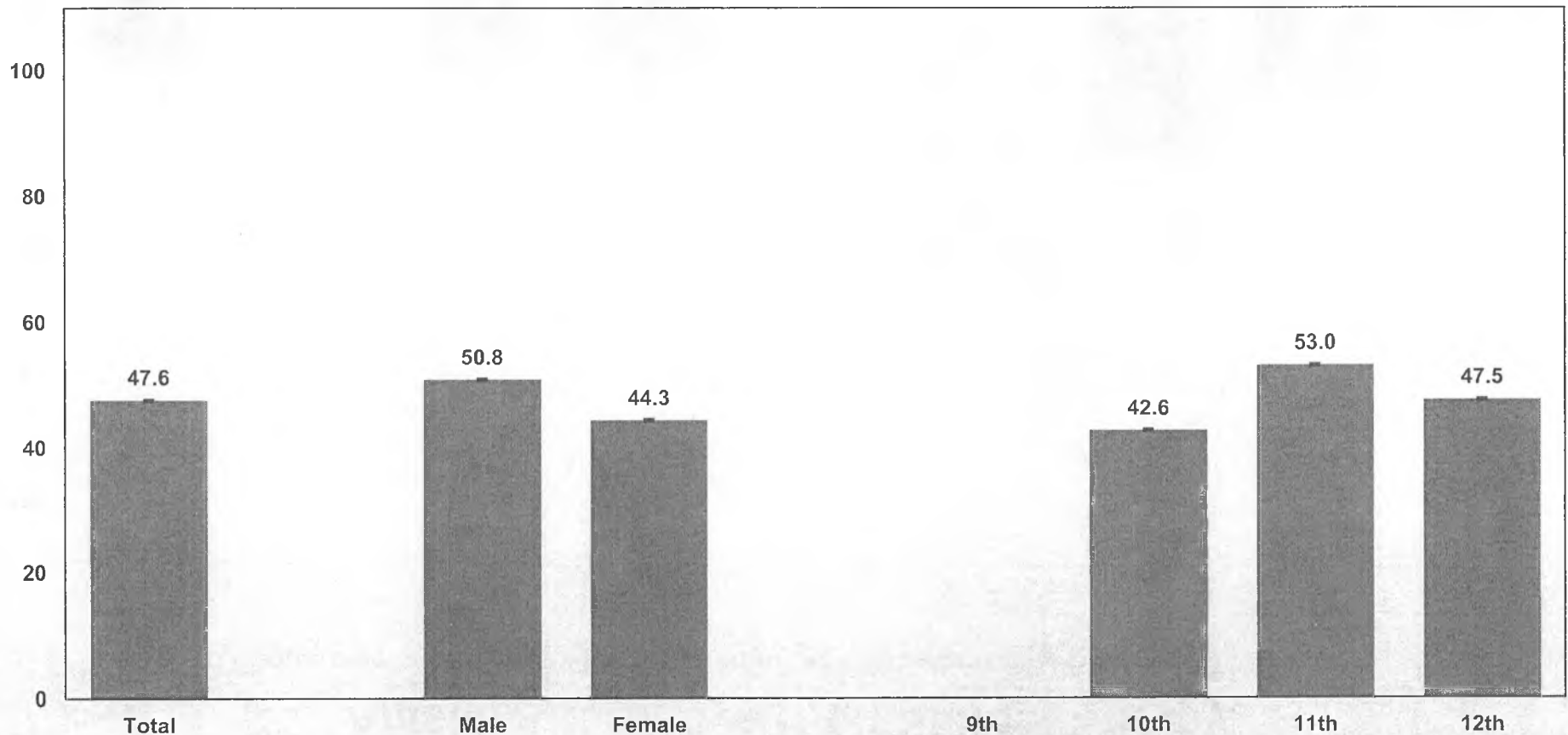
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who used marijuana one or more times during the past 30 days



Q48 - Weighted Data

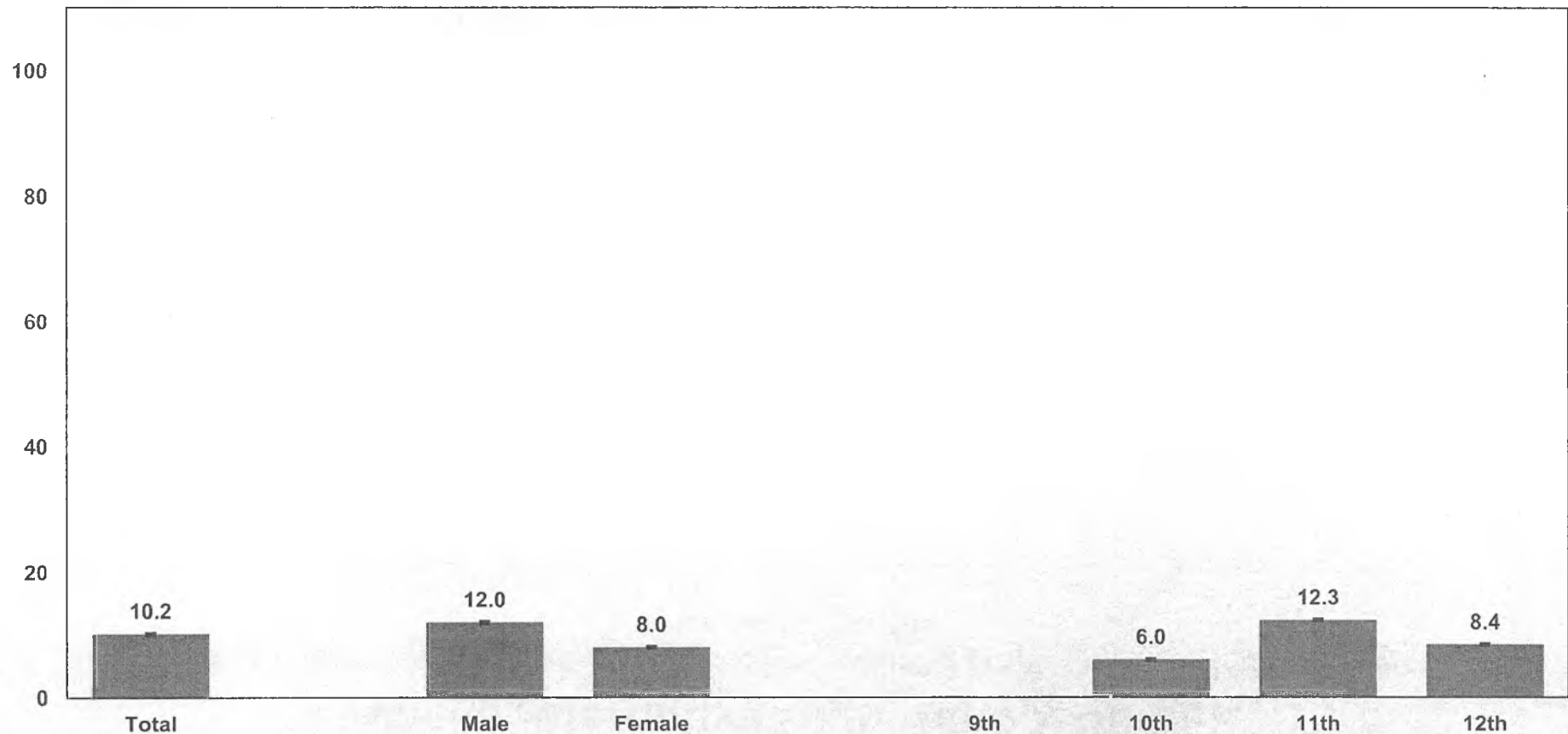
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who used marijuana on school property one or more times during the past 30 days



Q49 - Weighted Data

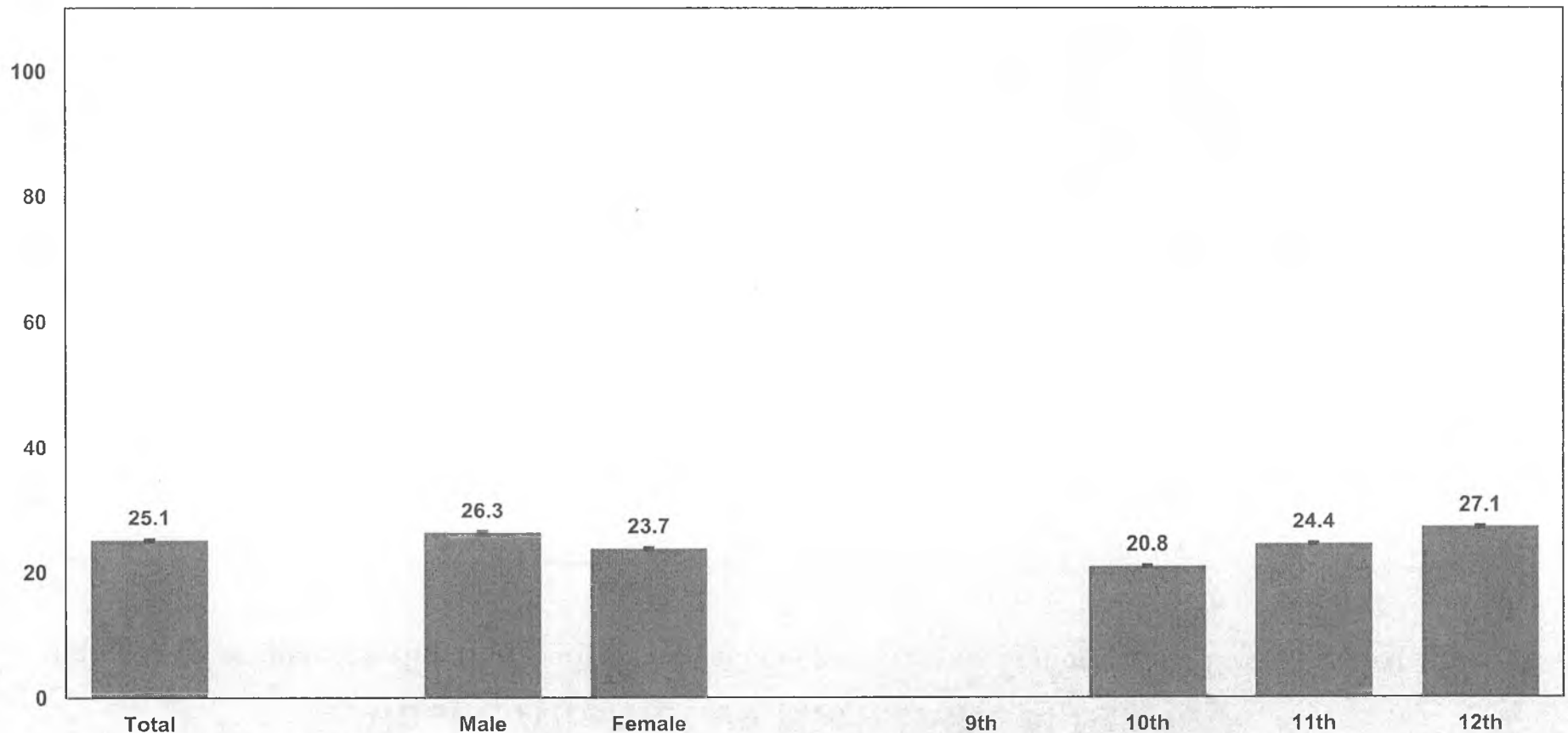
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who used any form of cocaine, including powder, crack, or freebase one or more times during their life



Q50 - Weighted Data

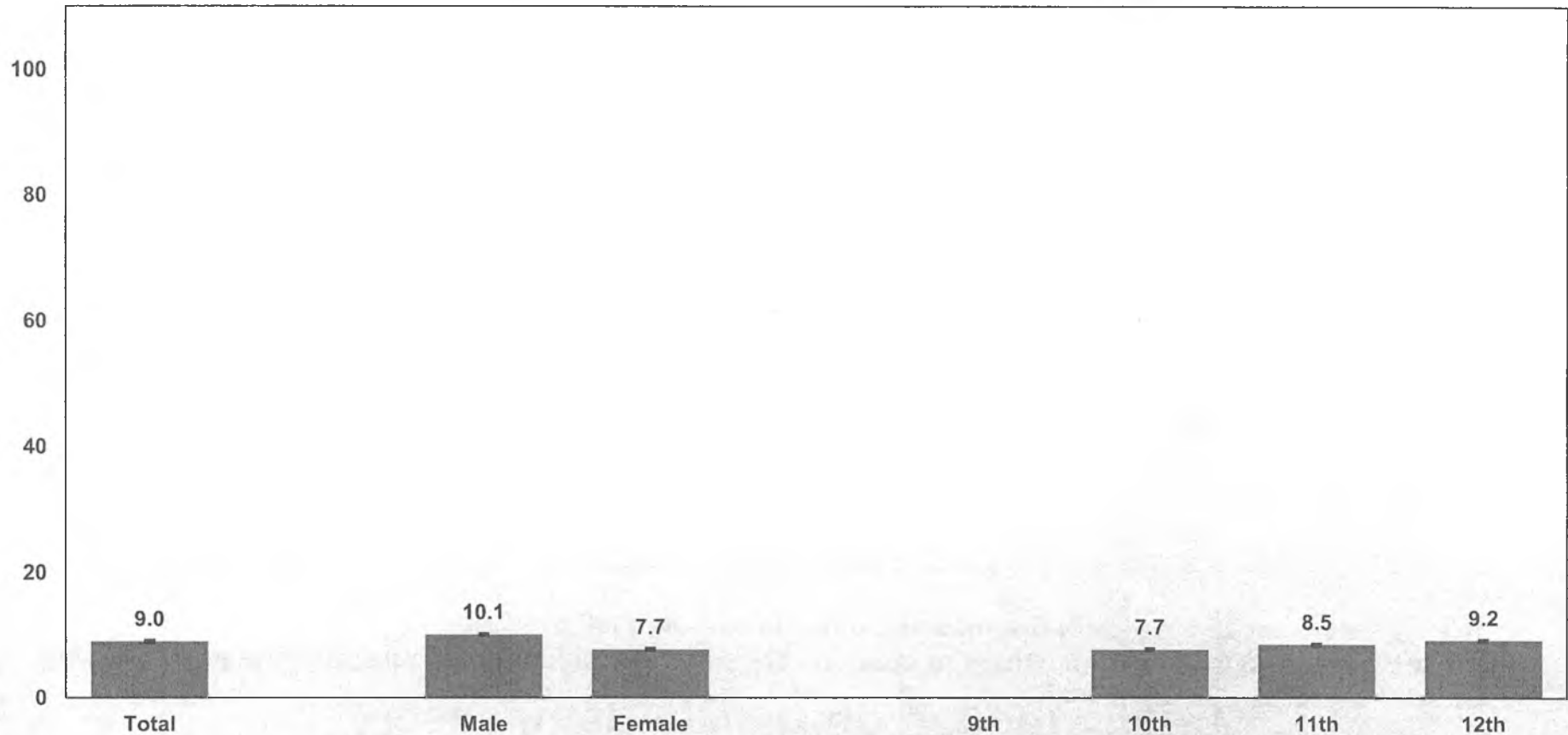
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who used any form of cocaine, including powder, crack, or freebase one or more times during the past 30 days



Q51 - Weighted Data

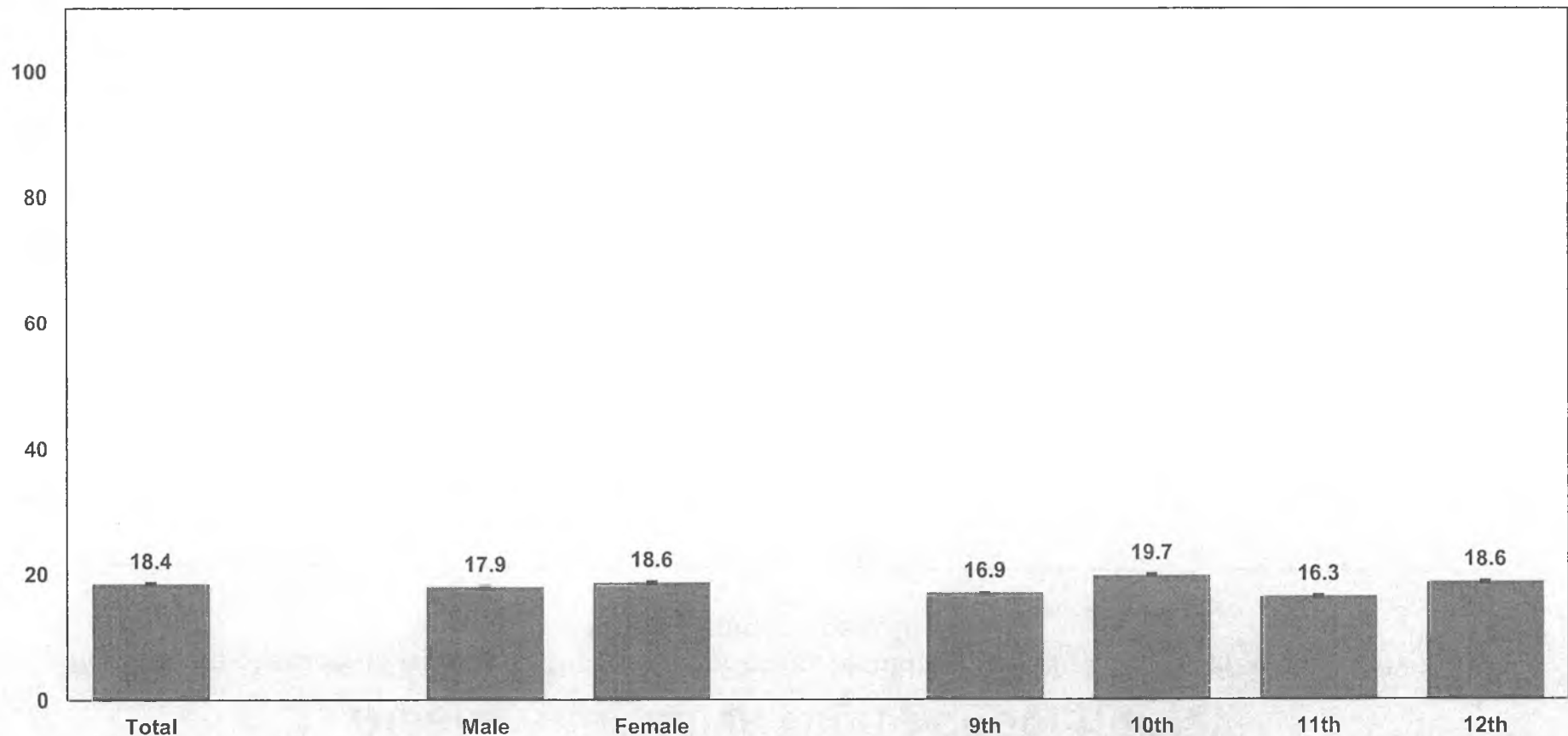
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who sniffed glue, breathed the contents of aerosol spray cans, or inhaled any paints or sprays to get high one or more times during their life



Q52 - Weighted Data

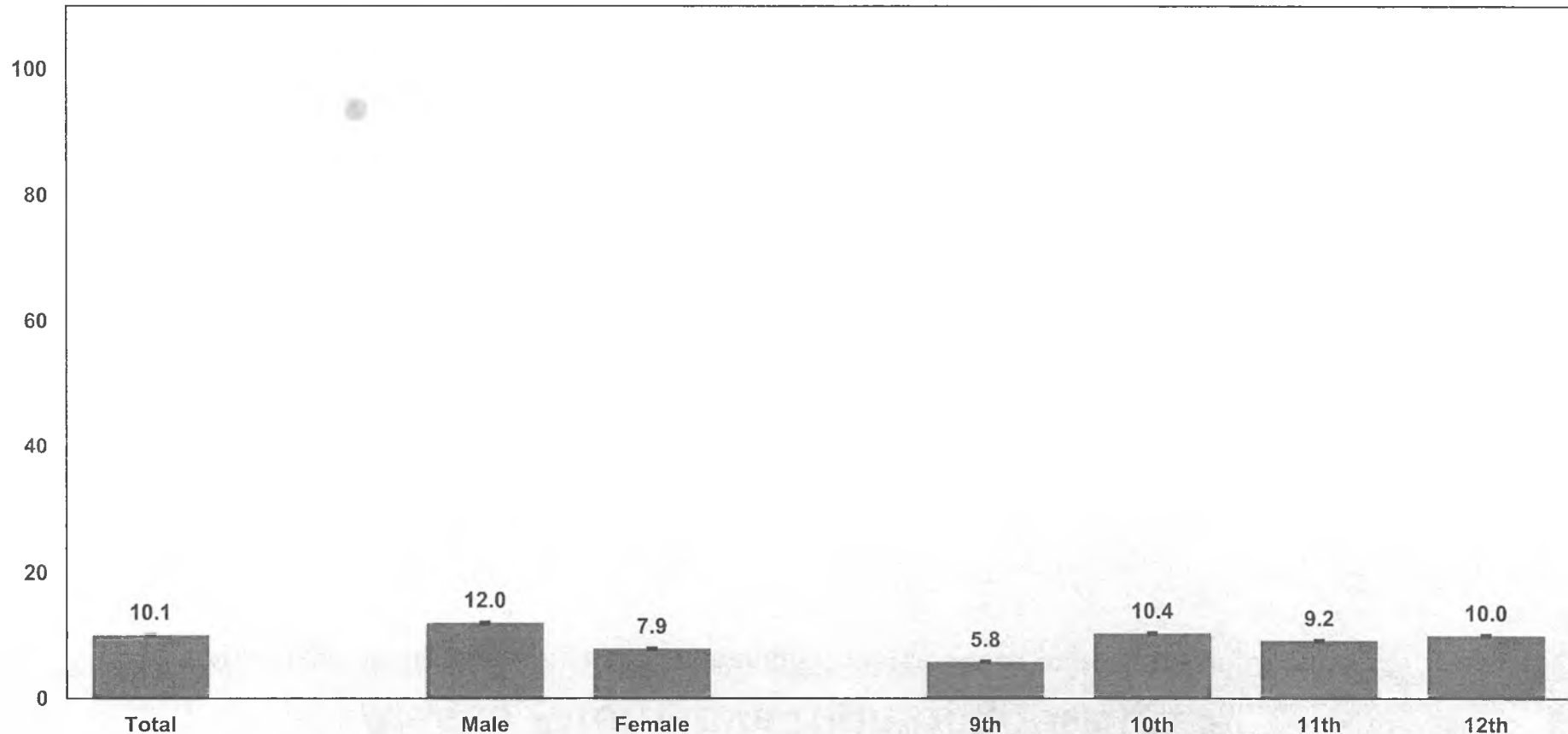
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who used heroin one or more times during their life



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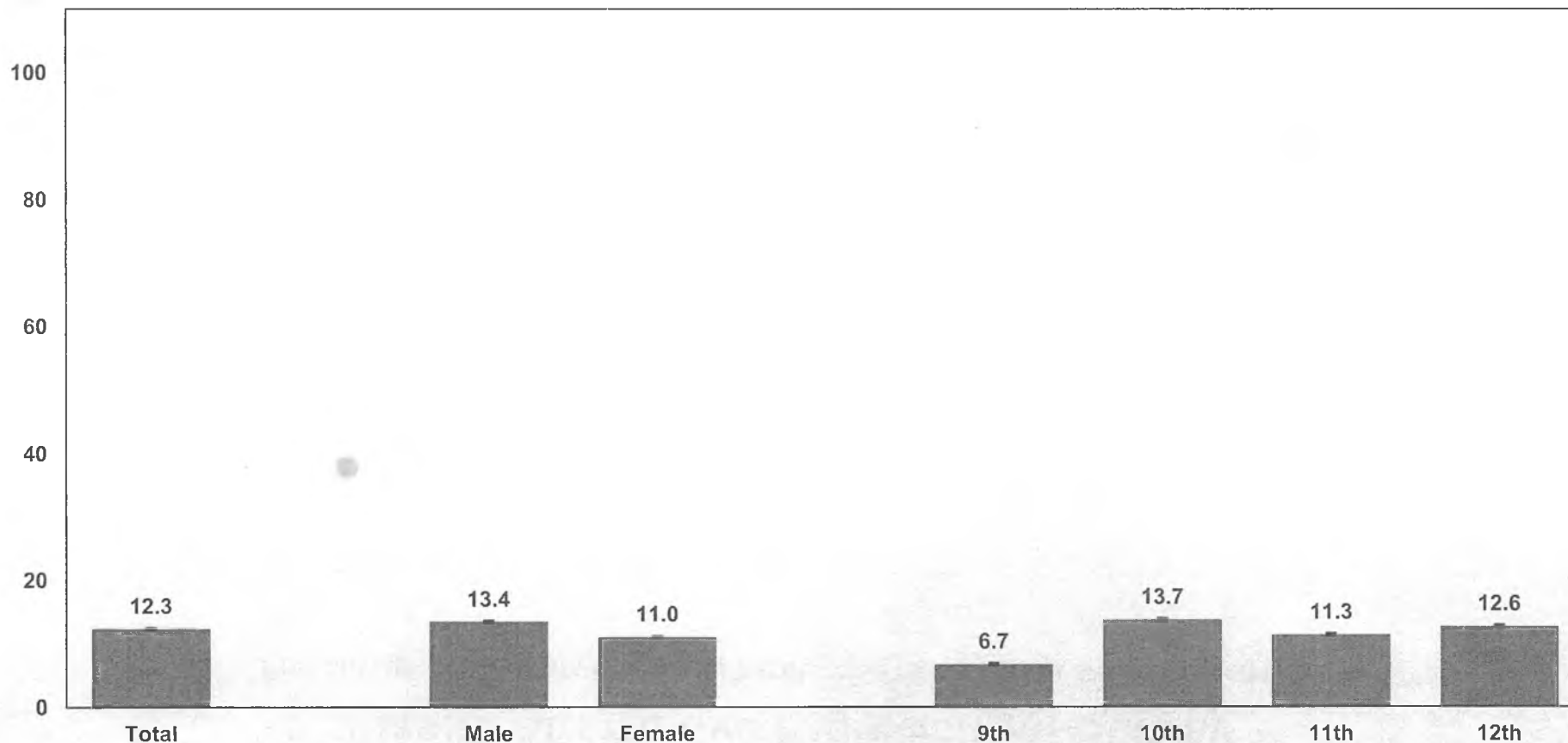
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who used methamphetamines one or more times during their life



Q54 - Weighted Data

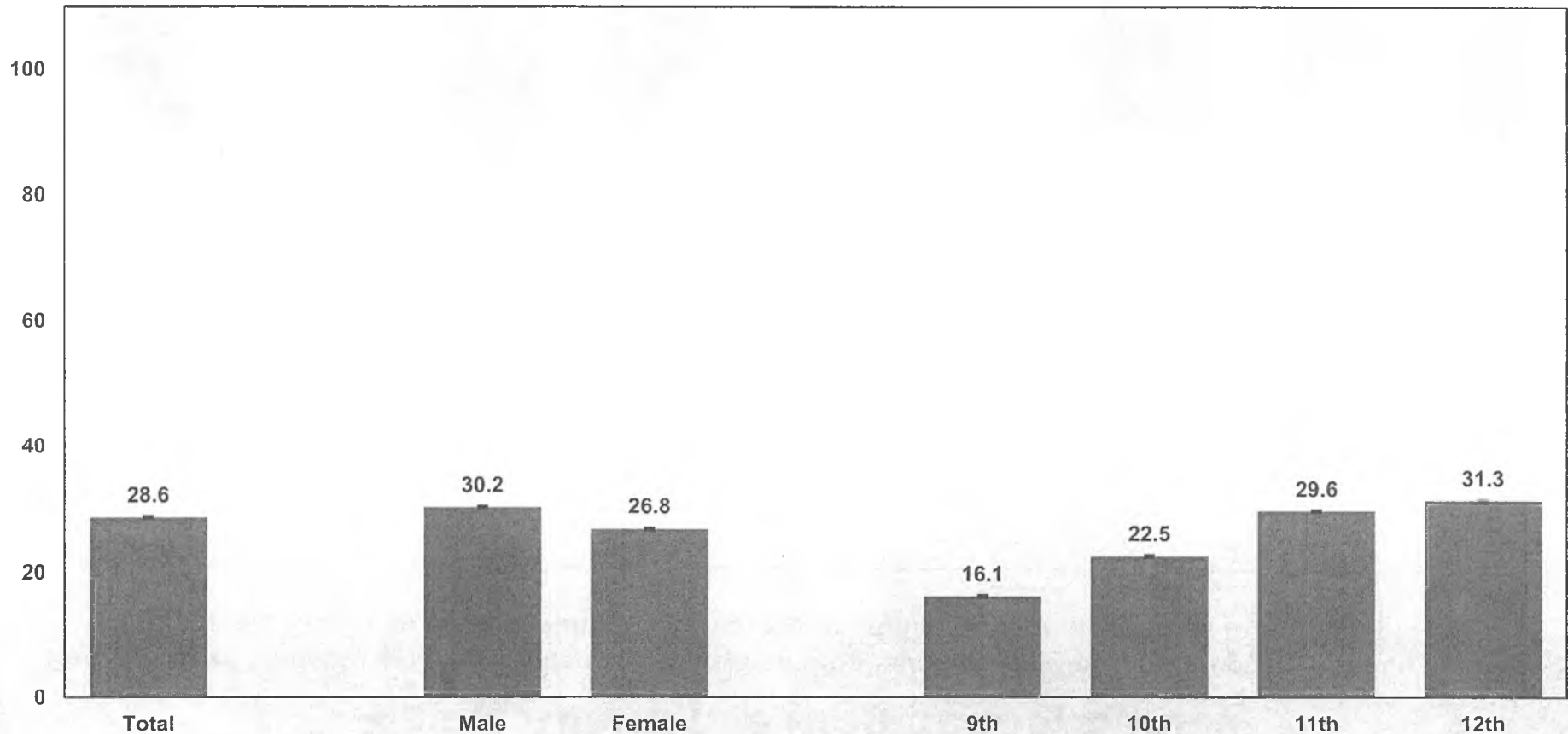
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who used ecstasy one or more times during their life



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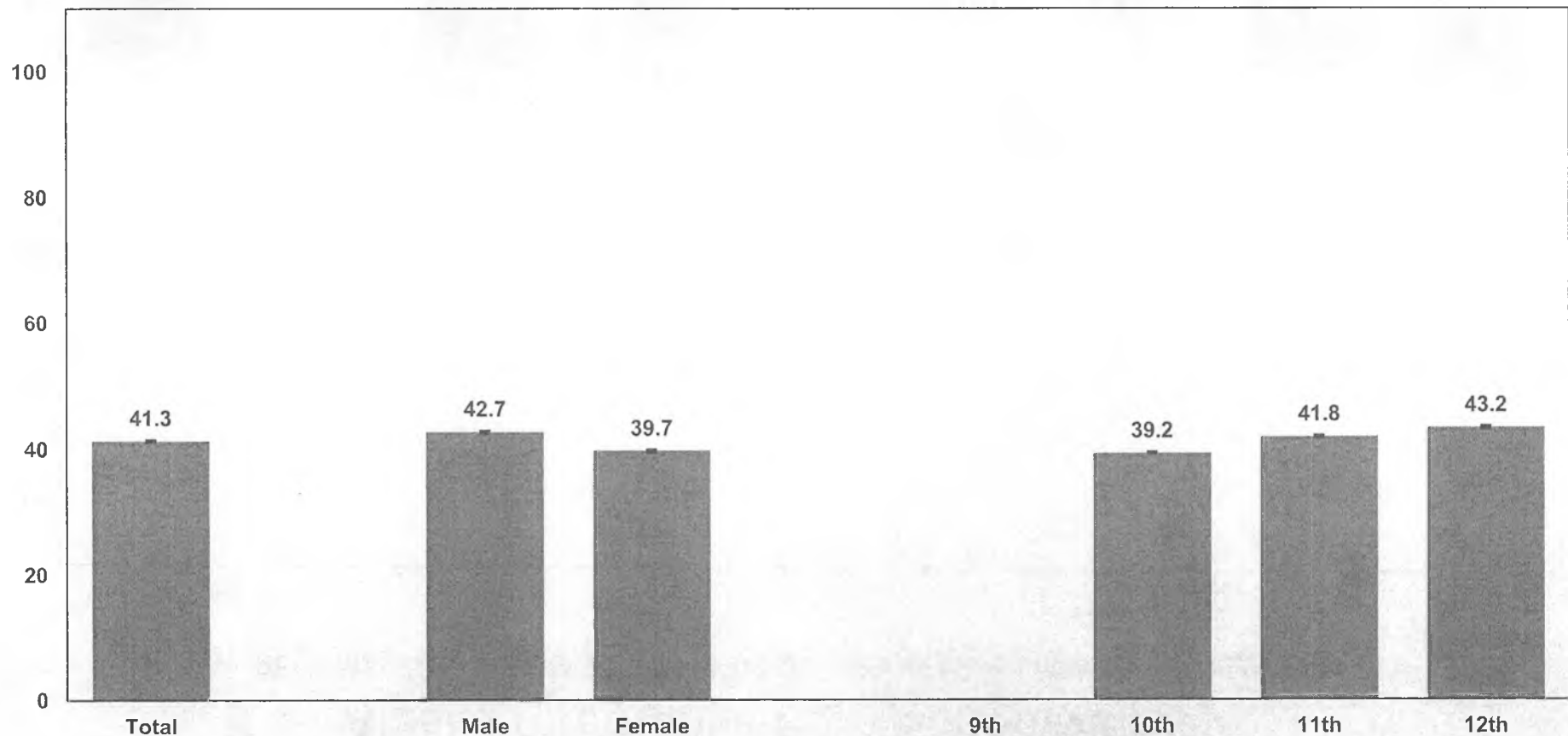
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who have taken a prescription drug (such as OxyContin, Percocet, Vicodin, codeine, Adderall, Ritalin, or Xanax) without a doctor's prescription one or more times during their life



Q57 - Weighted Data

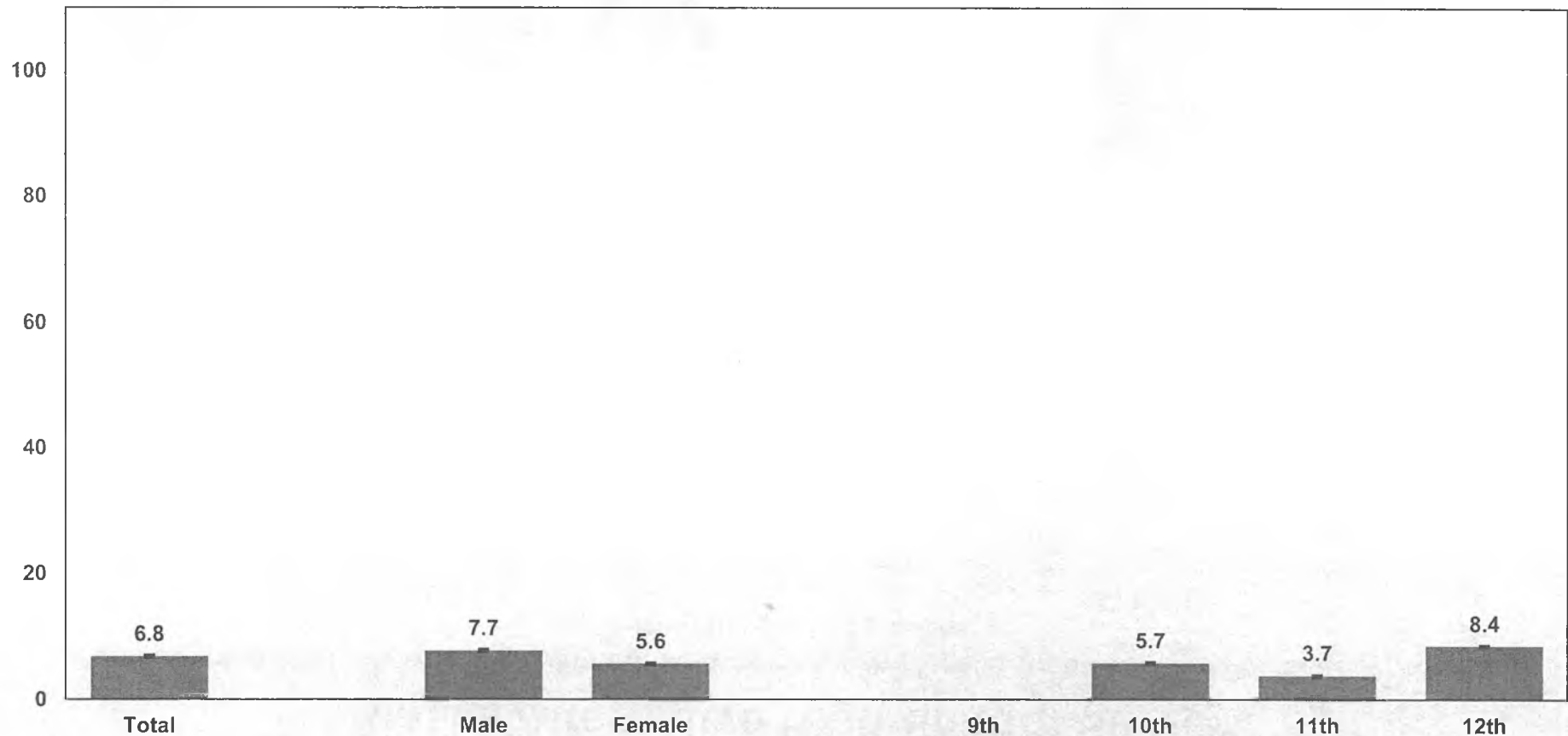
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who used a needle to inject any illegal drug into their body one or more times during their life



Q58 - Weighted Data

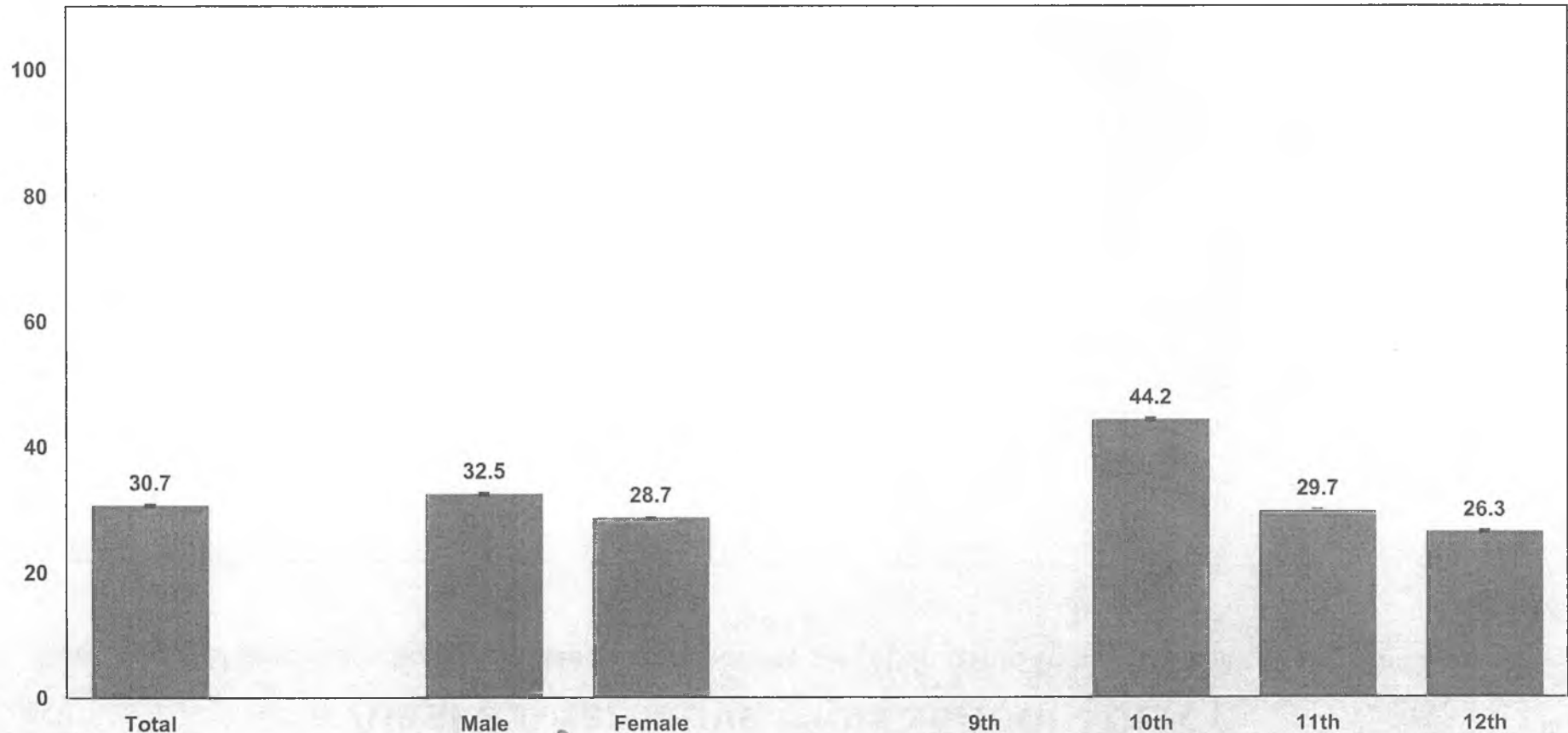
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who were offered, sold, or given an illegal drug by someone on school property during the past 12 months



Q59 - Weighted Data

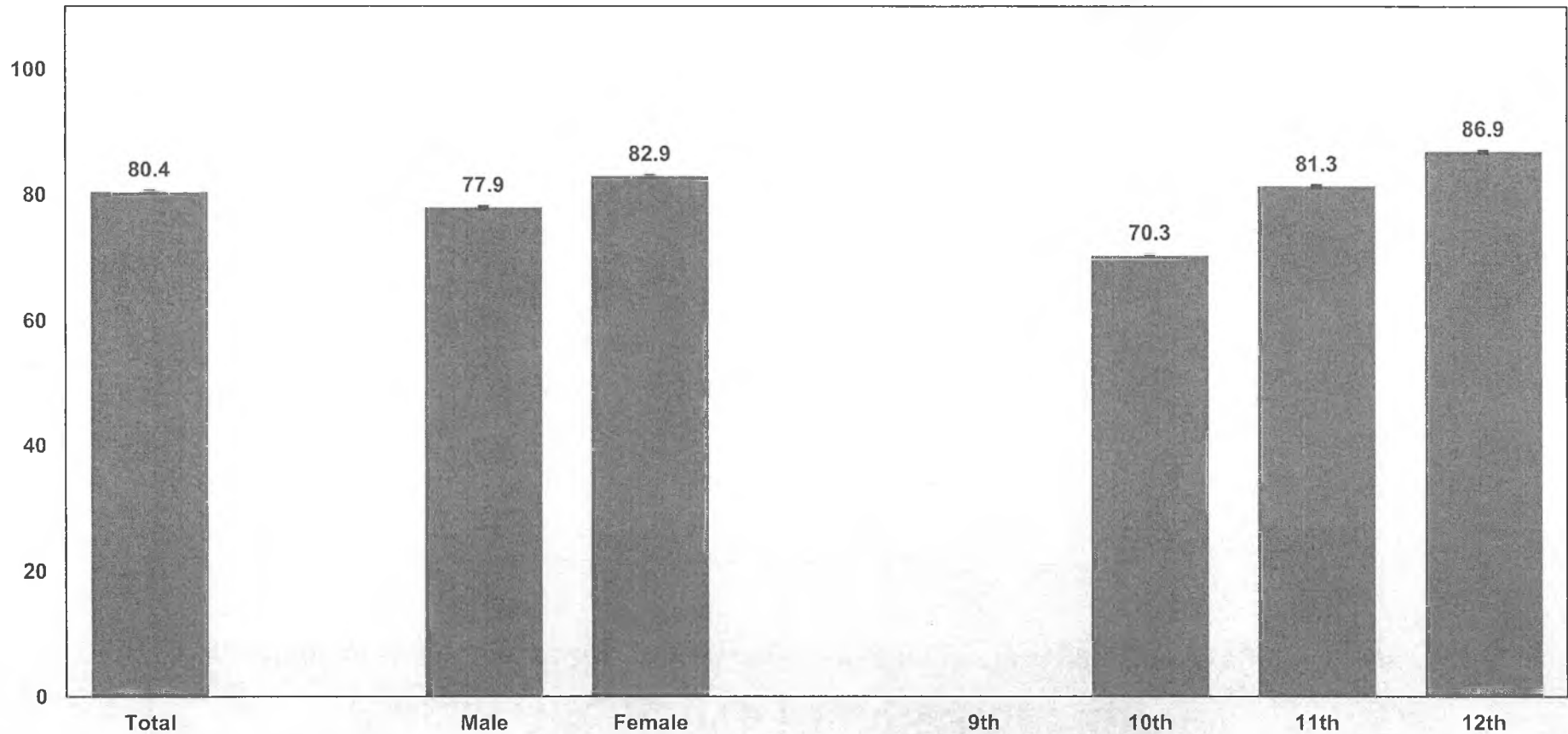
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who ever had sexual intercourse



Q60 - Weighted Data

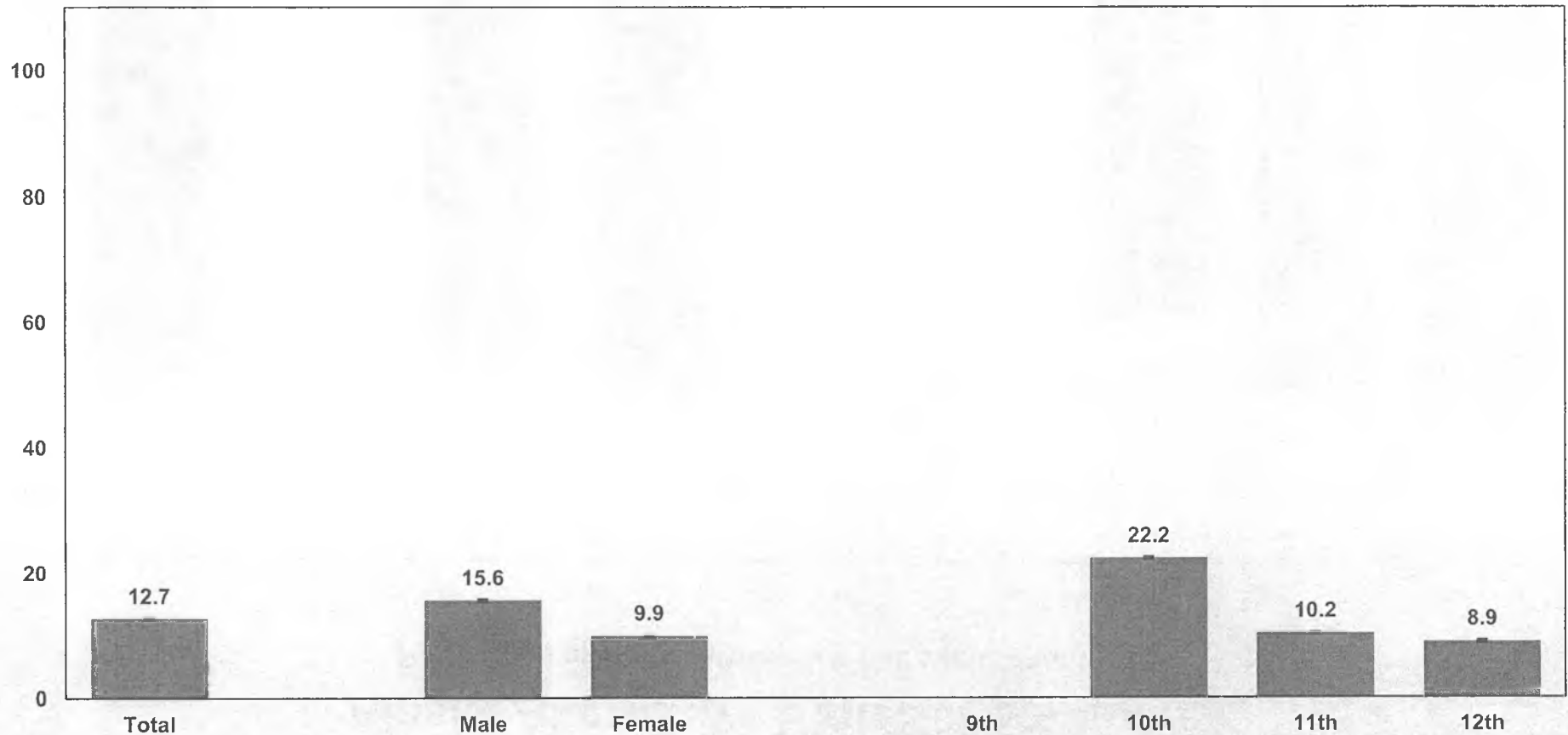
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who had sexual intercourse for the first time before age 13 years



Q61 - Weighted Data

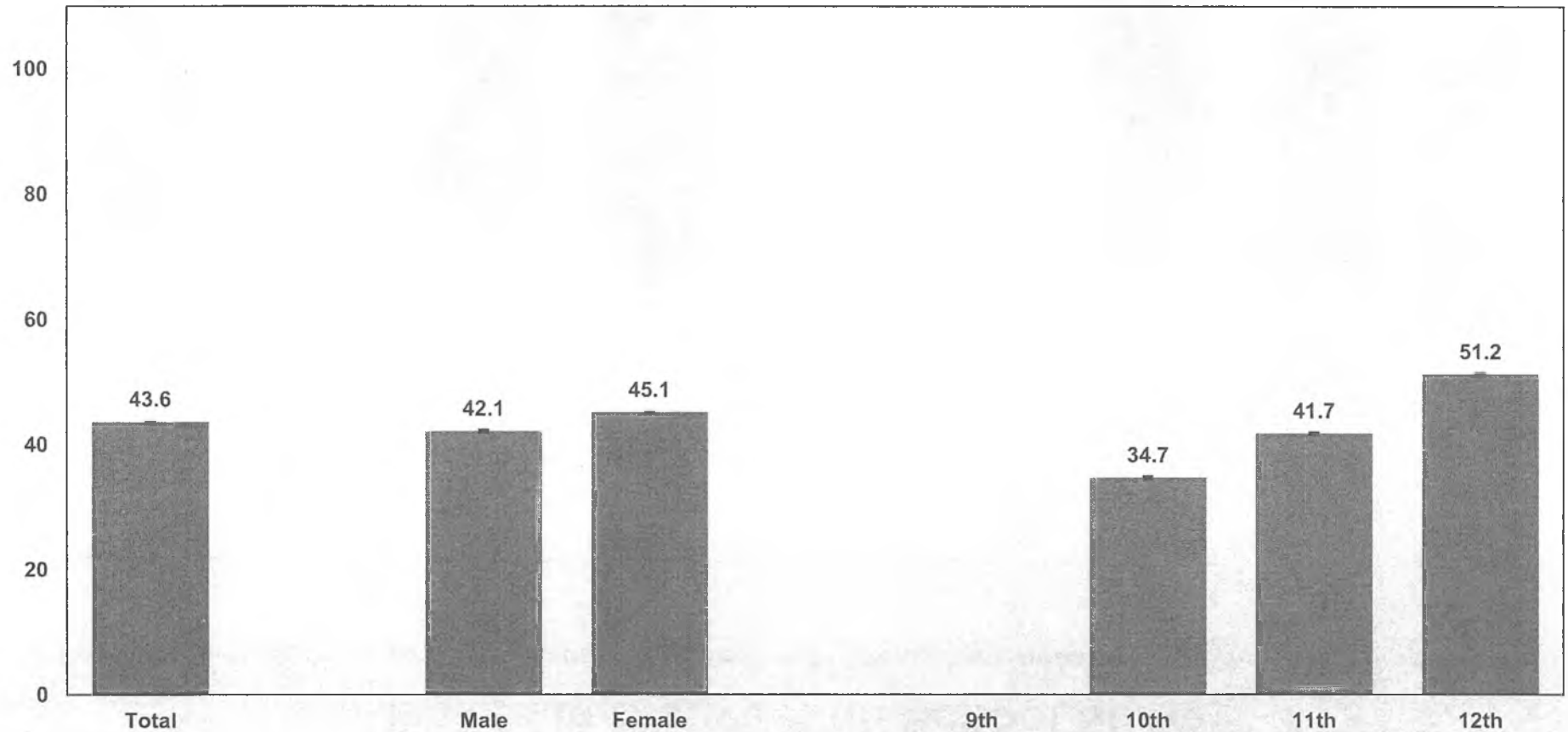
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who had sexual intercourse with four or more people during their life



Q62 - Weighted Data

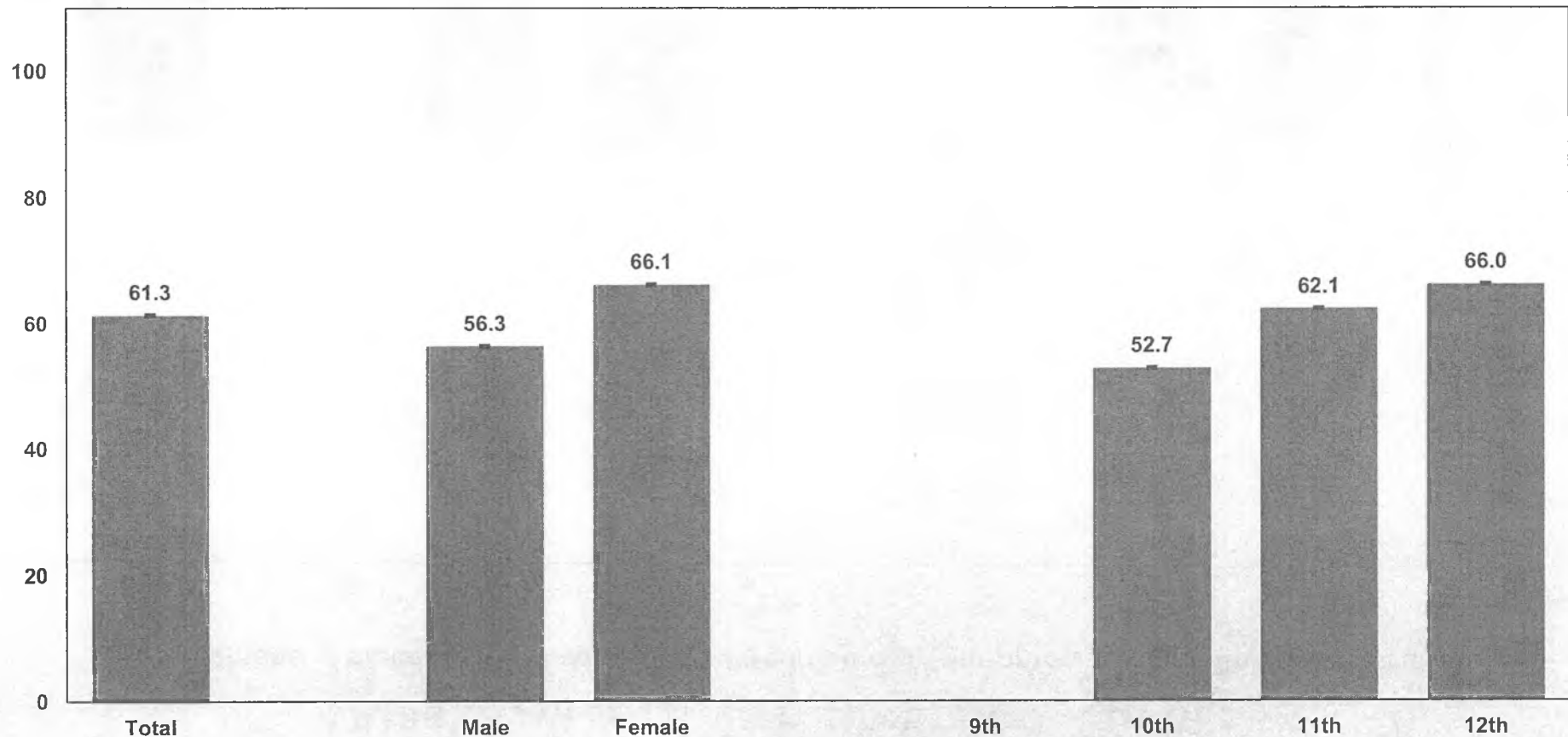
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who had sexual intercourse with one or more people during the past three months



Q63 - Weighted Data

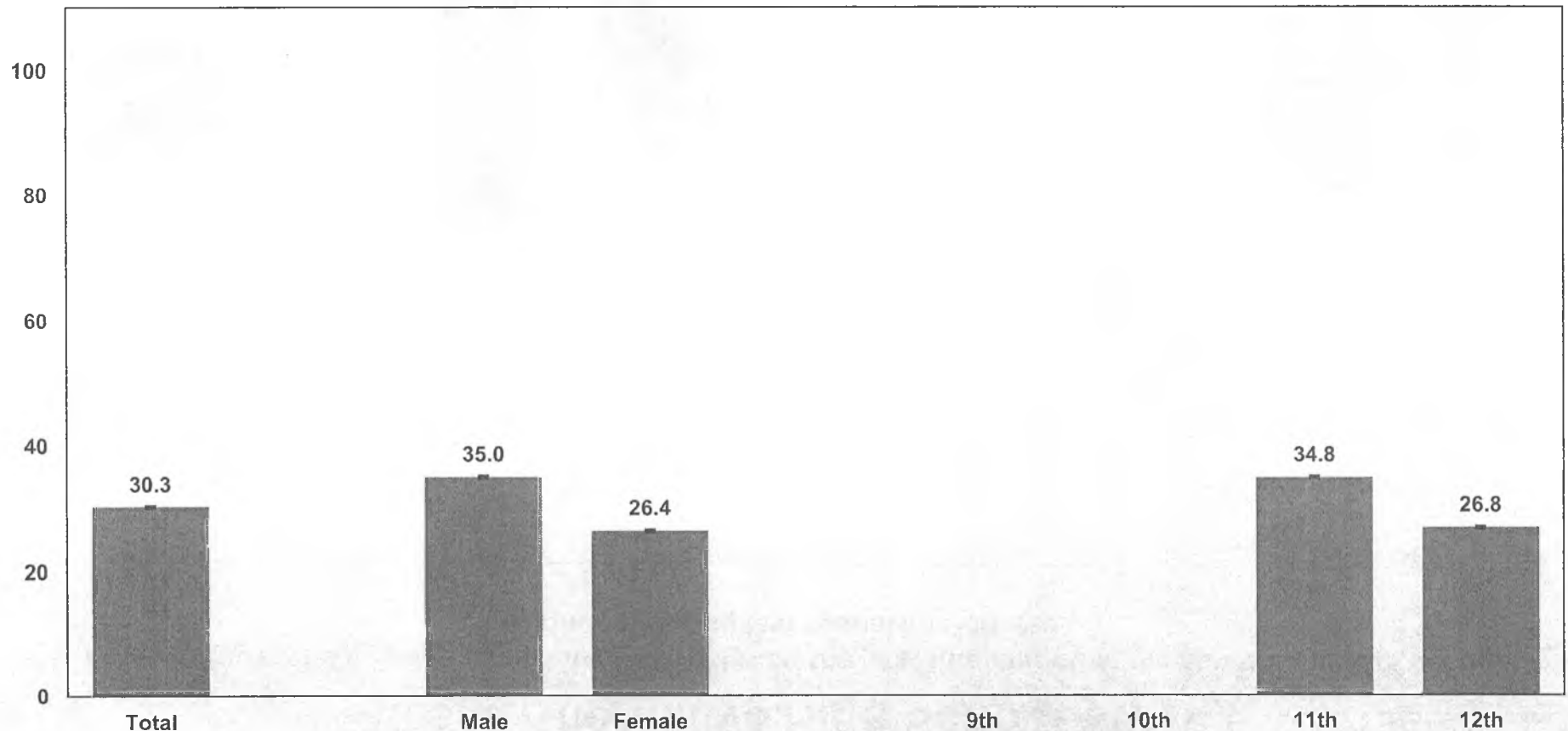
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Among students who had sexual intercourse during the past three months, the percentage who drank alcohol or used drugs before last sexual intercourse



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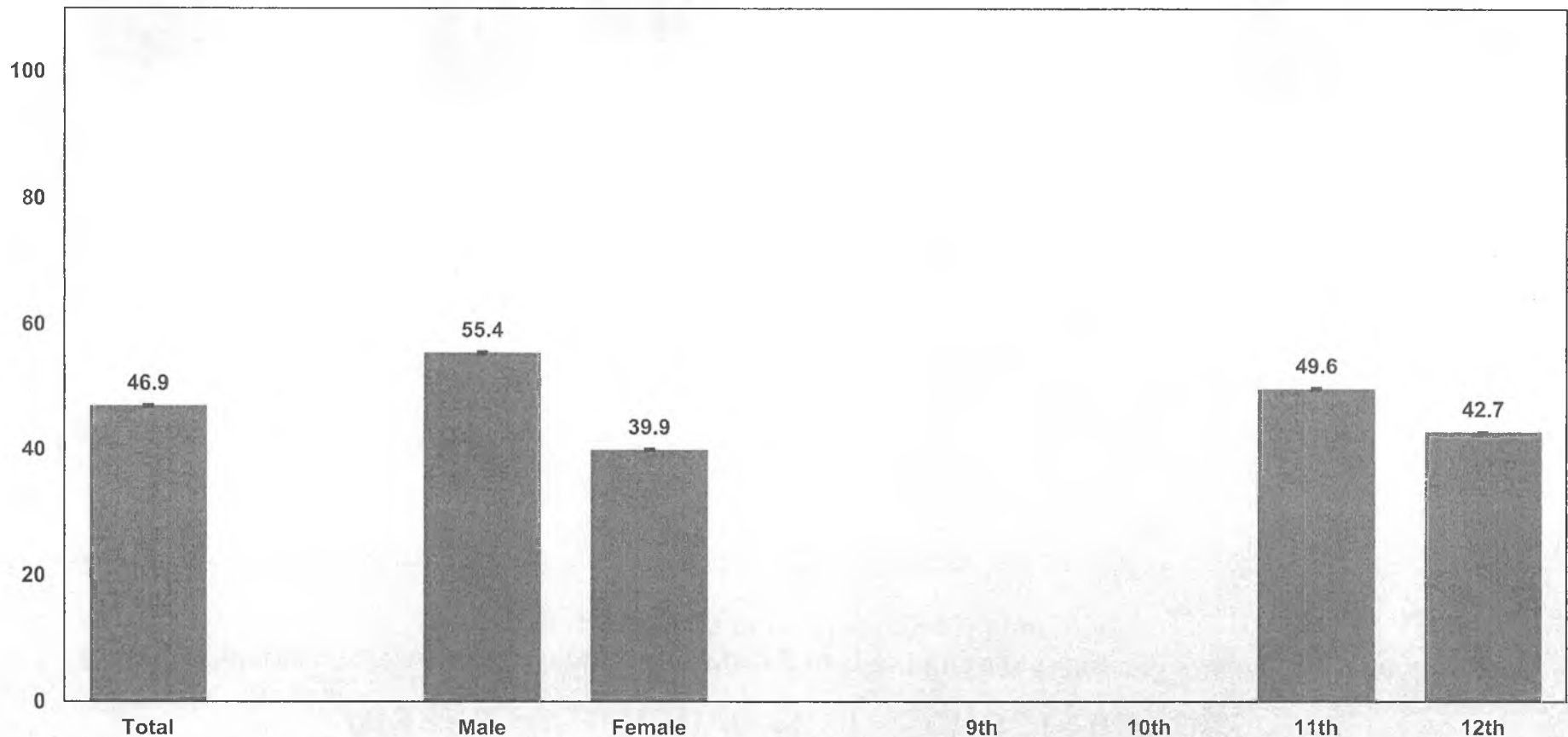
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Among students who had sexual intercourse during the past three months, the percentage who used a condom during last sexual intercourse



Q65 - Weighted Data

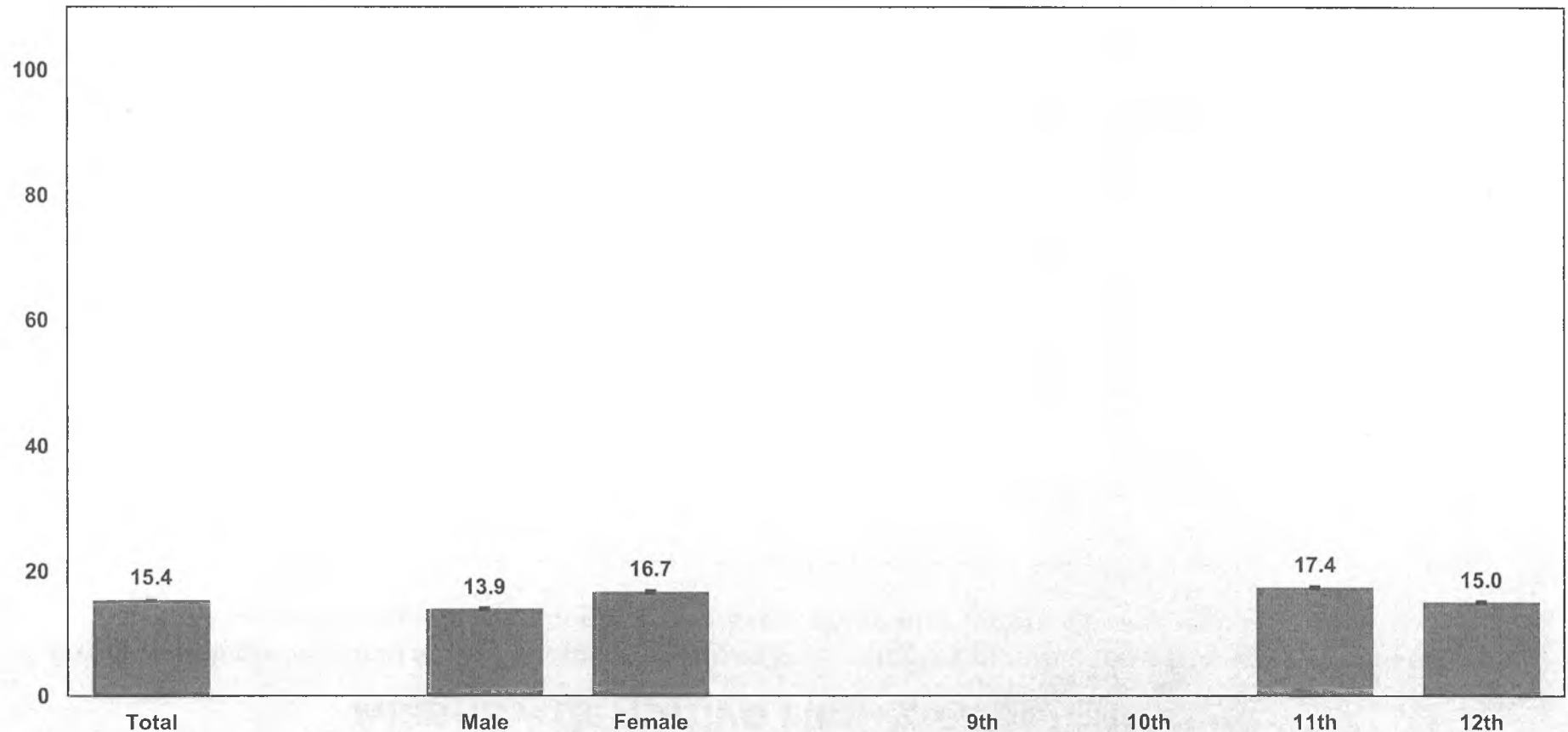
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Among students who had sexual intercourse during the past three months, the percentage who used birth control pills to prevent pregnancy before last sexual intercourse



Q66 - Weighted Data

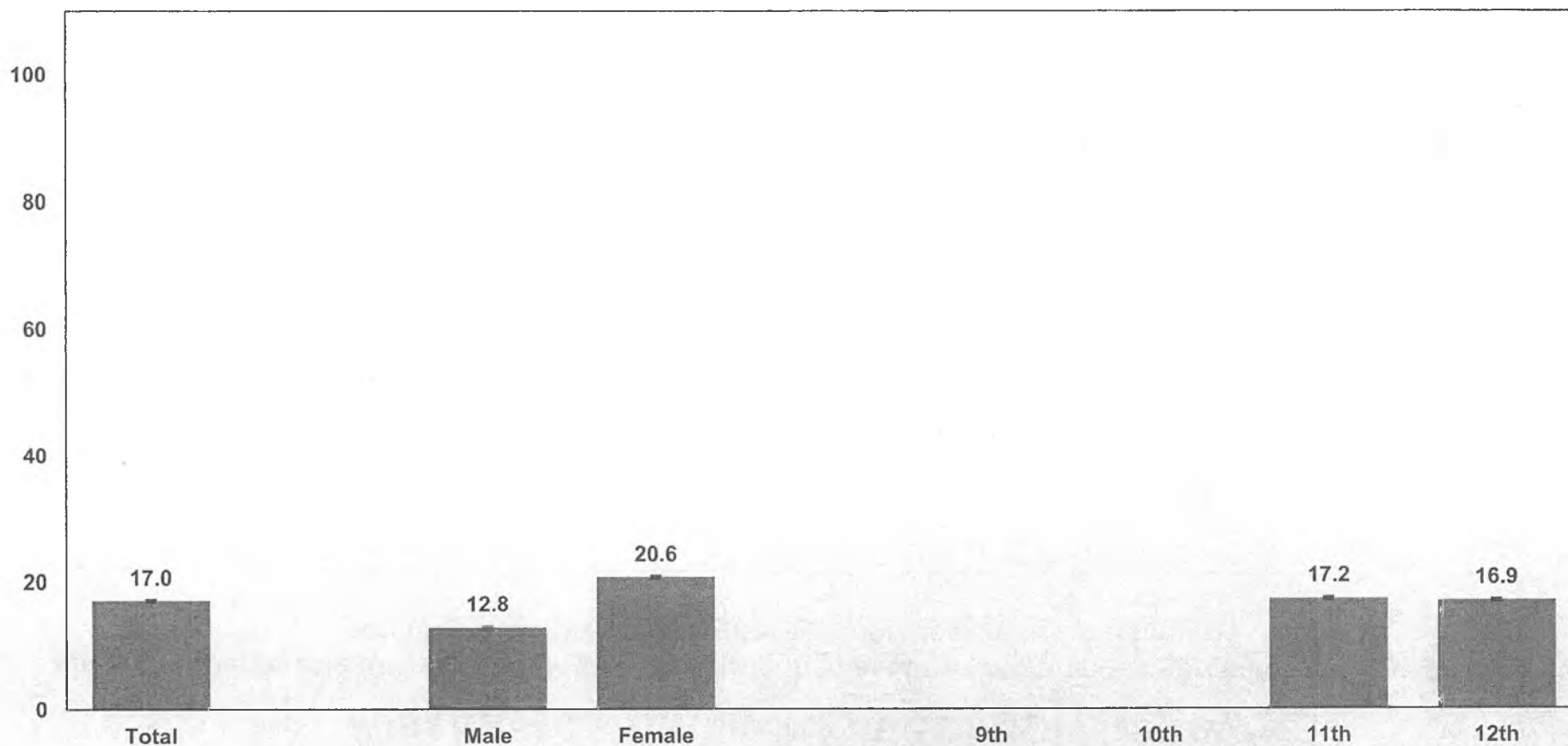
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Among students who had sexual intercourse during the past three months, the percentage who used Depo-Provera (injectable birth control) to prevent pregnancy before last sexual intercourse



QNDEPO - Weighted Data

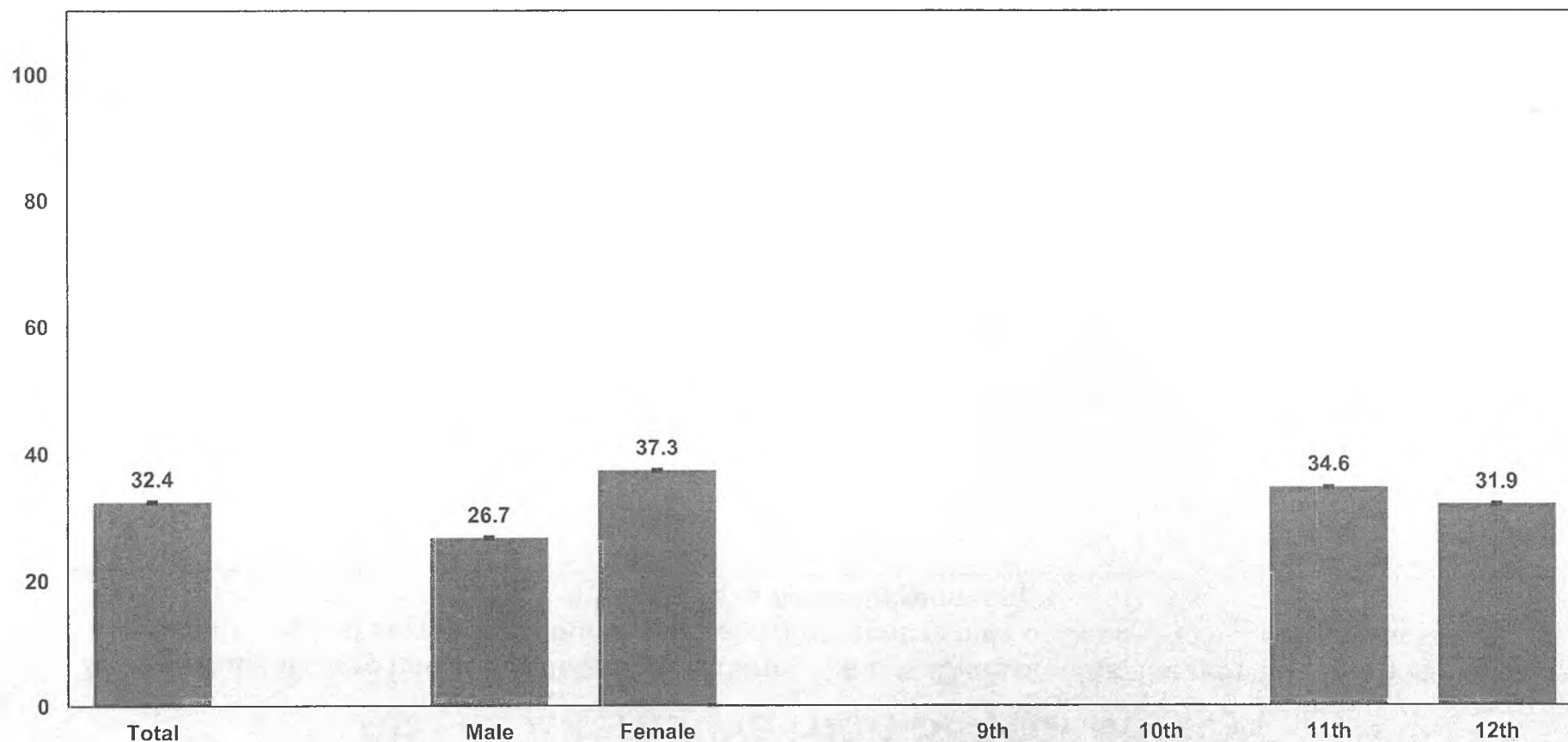
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Among students who had sexual intercourse during the past three months, the percentage who used Depo-Provera (injectable birth control) or birth control pills to prevent pregnancy before last sexual intercourse



QNDEPOPL - Weighted Data

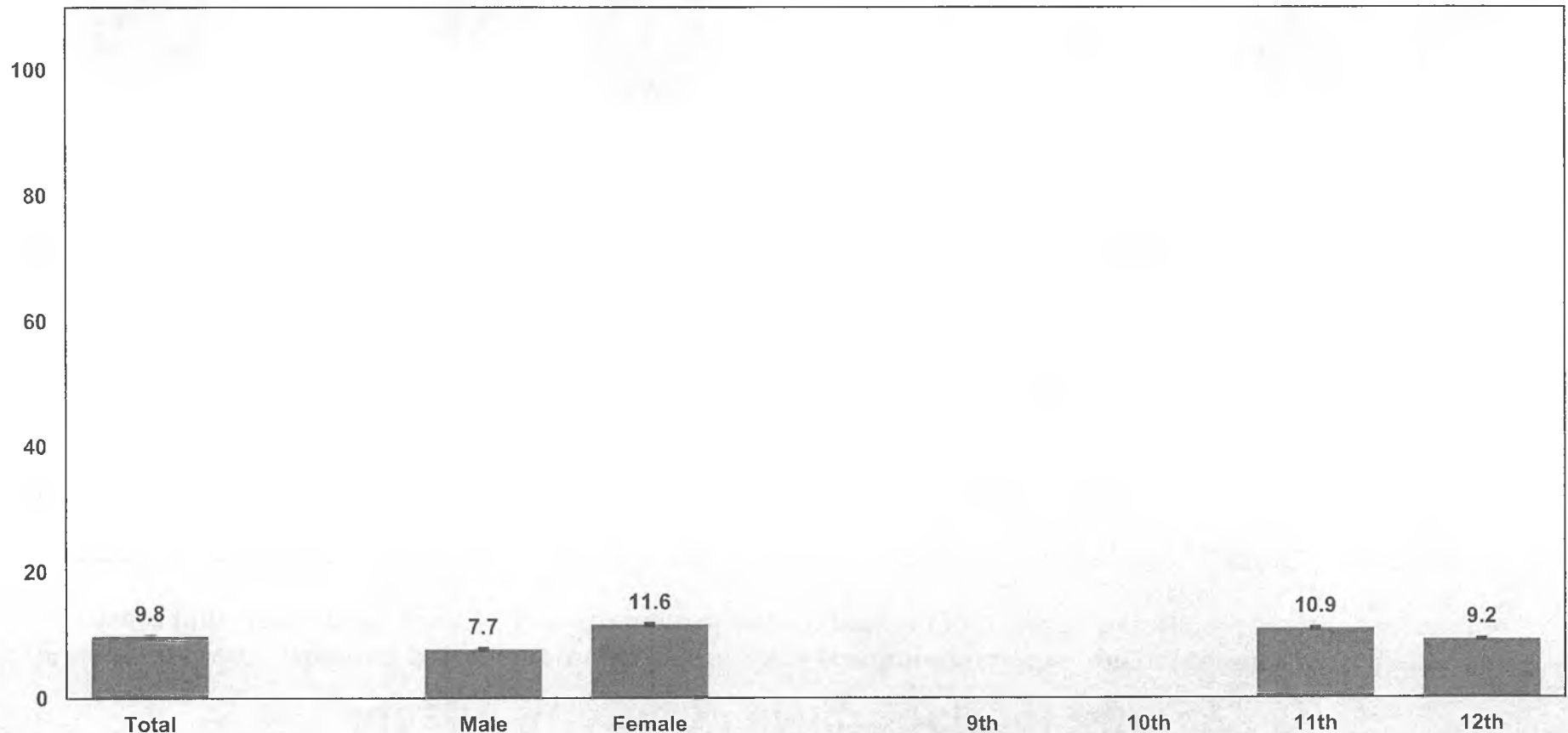
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Among students who had sexual intercourse during the past three months, the percentage who used a condom during last sexual intercourse and used birth control pills or Depo-Provera before last sexual intercourse to prevent pregnancy



QNDUAL - Weighted Data

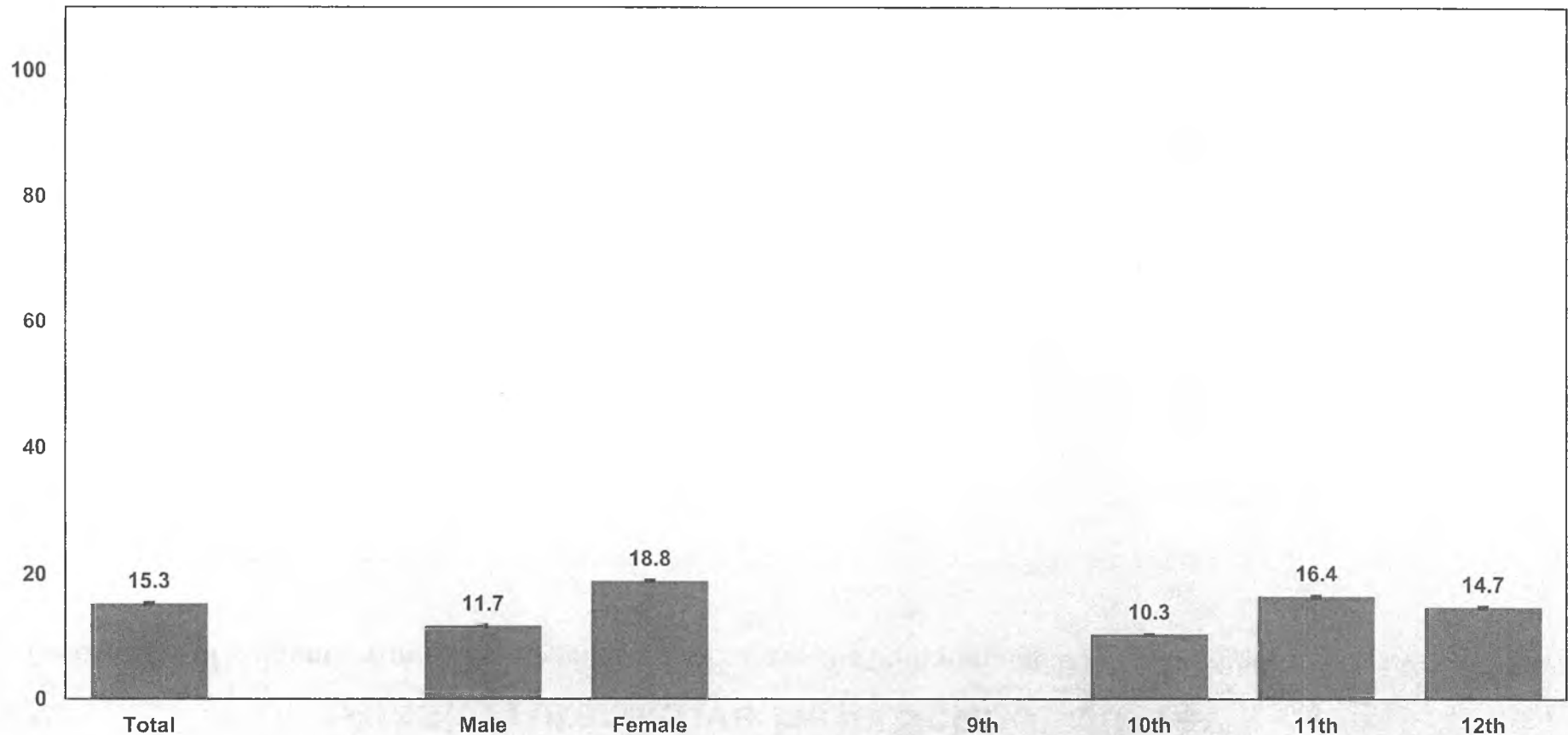
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who were overweight (i.e., at or above the 85th percentile but below the 95th percentile for body mass index, by age and sex)**



**QNOWT - Weighted Data - Based on reference data from the 2000 CDC Growth Charts.

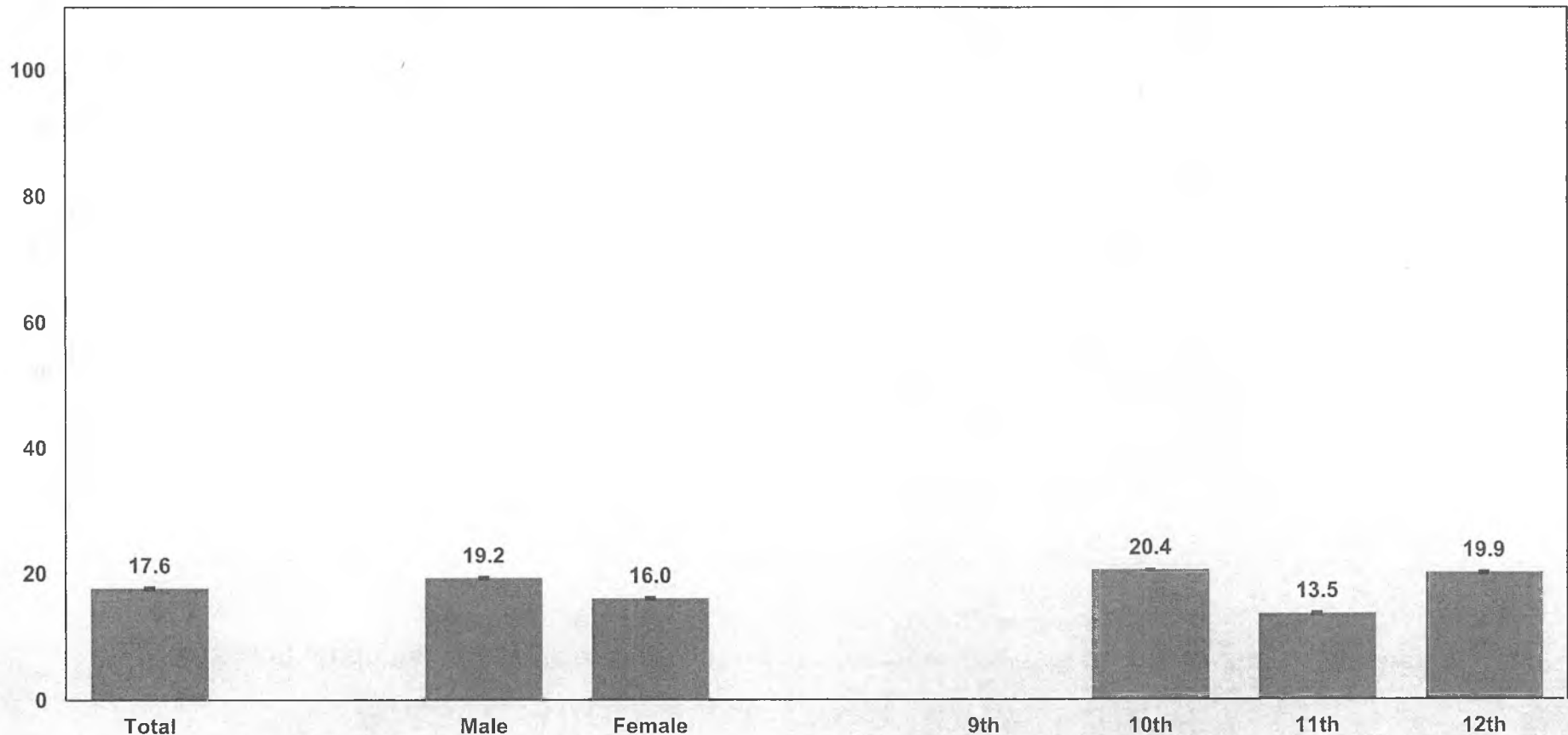
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who were obese (i.e., at or above the 95th percentile for body mass index, by age and sex)**



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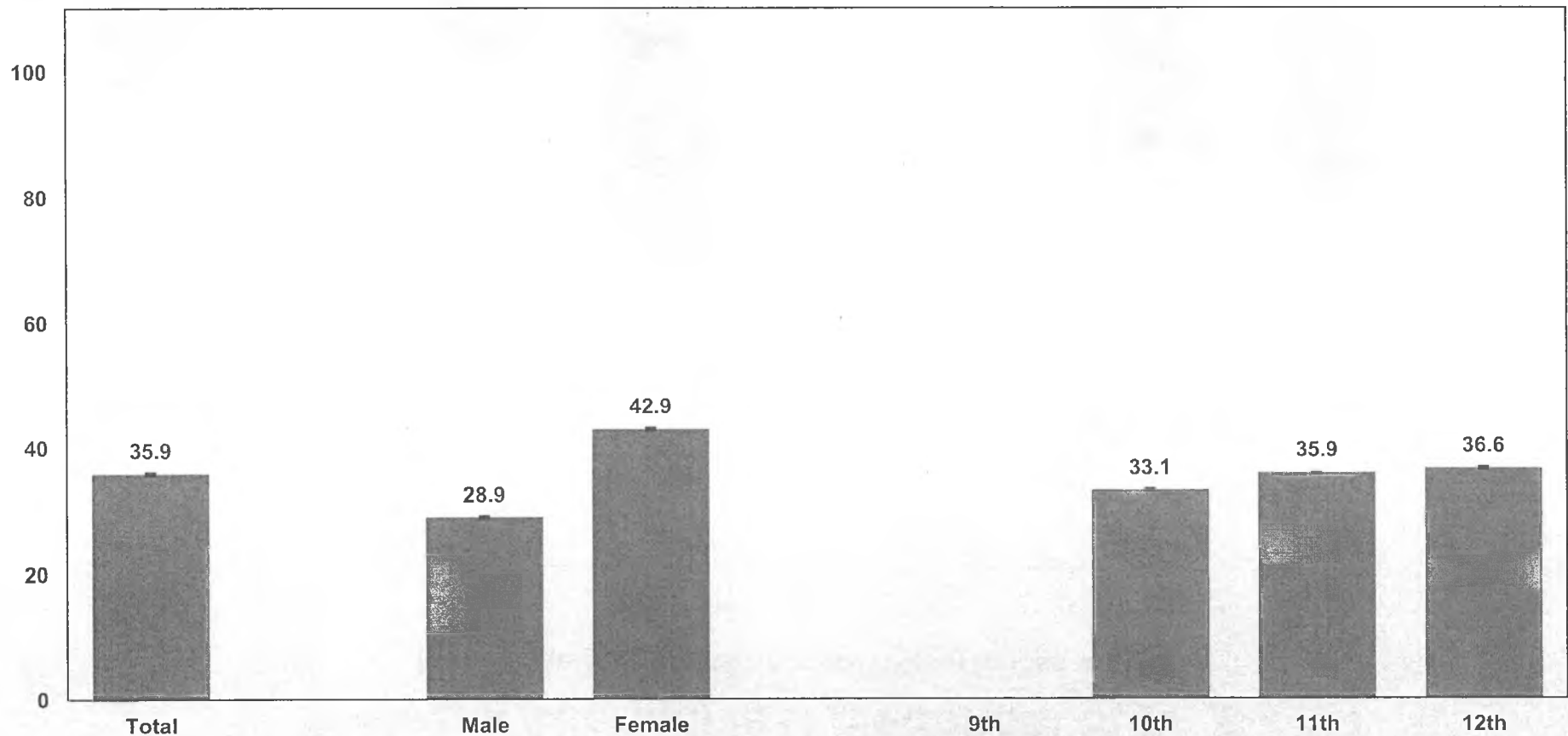
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who described themselves as slightly or very overweight



Q67 - Weighted Data

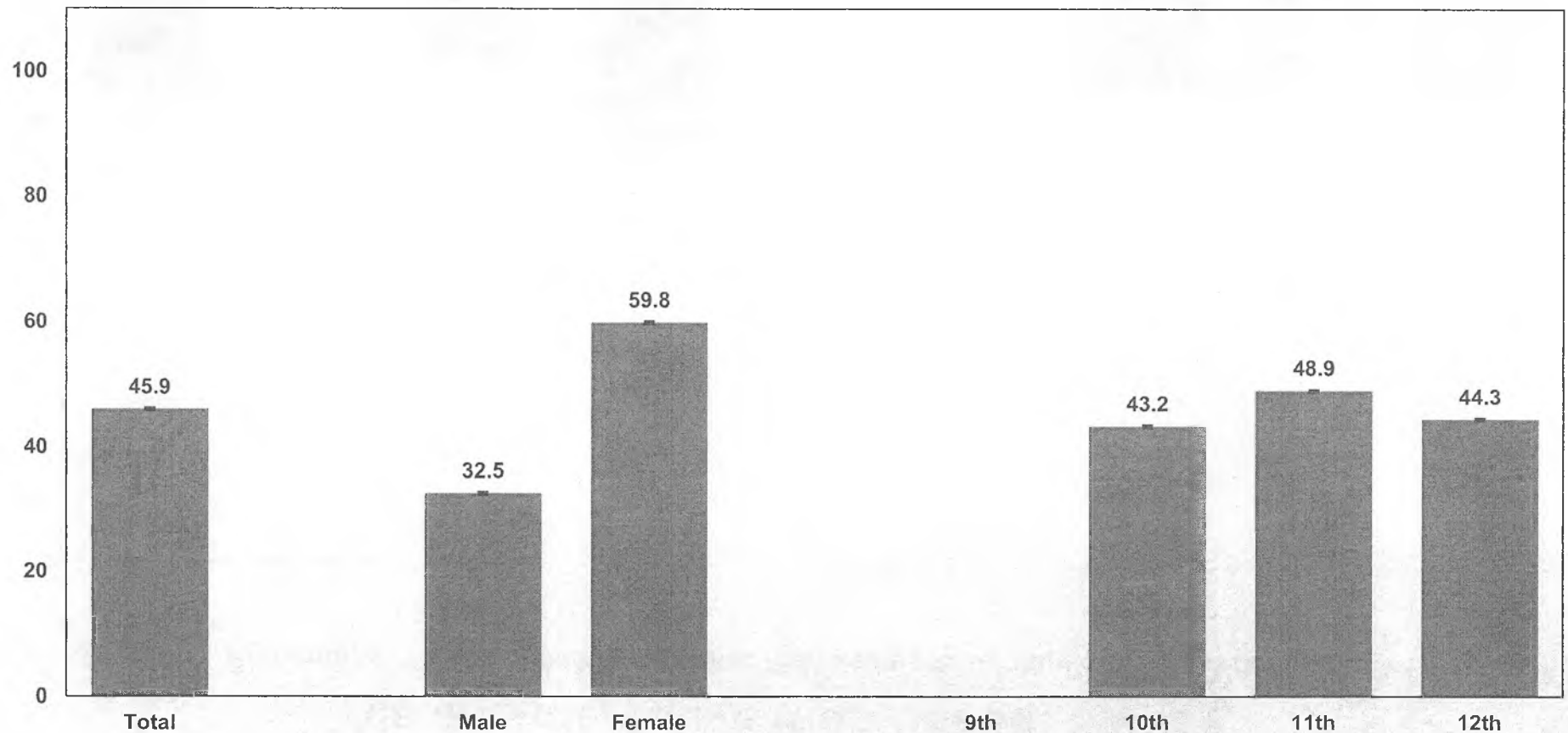
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who were trying to lose weight



Q68 - Weighted Data

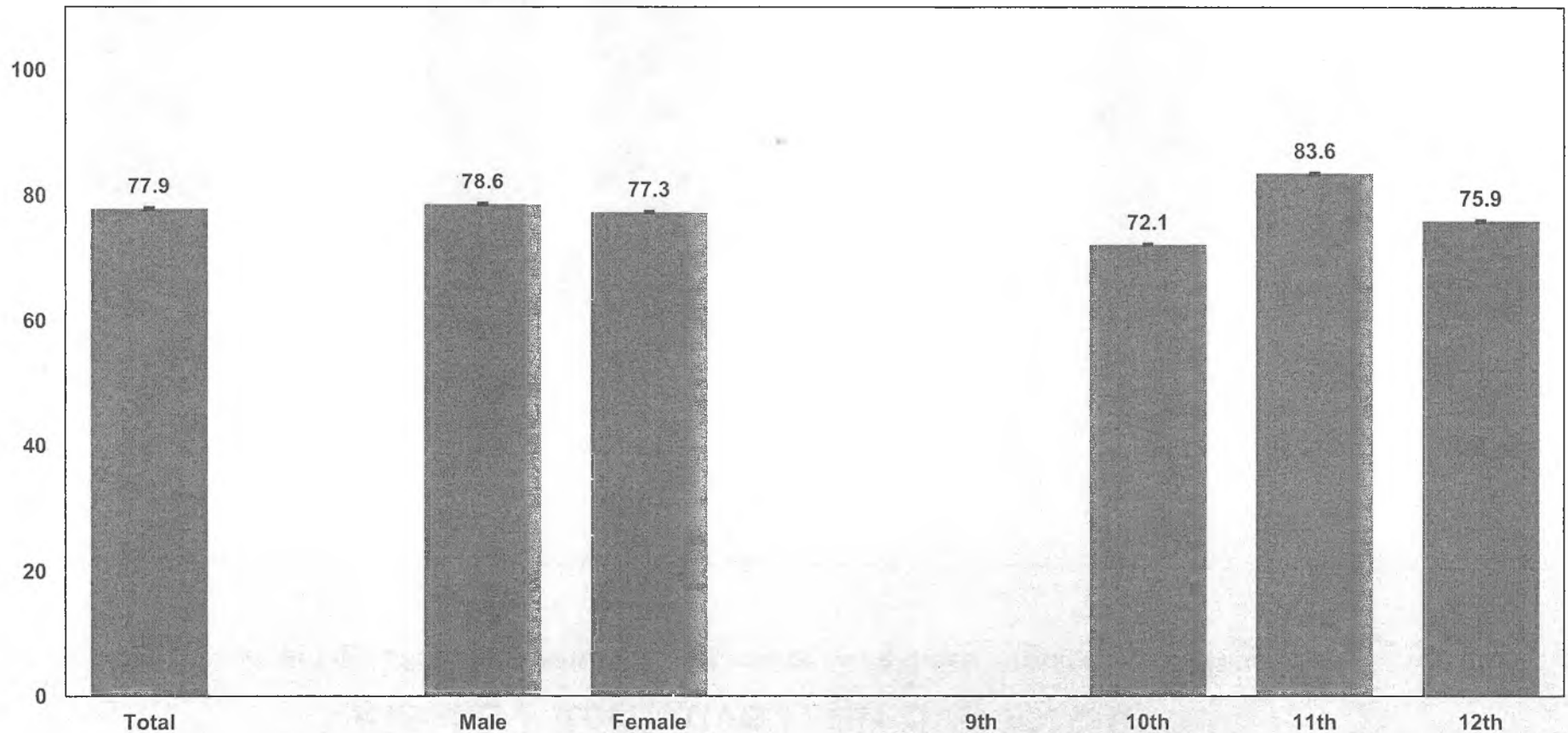
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who drank 100% fruit juices one or more times during the past seven days



Q72 - Weighted Data

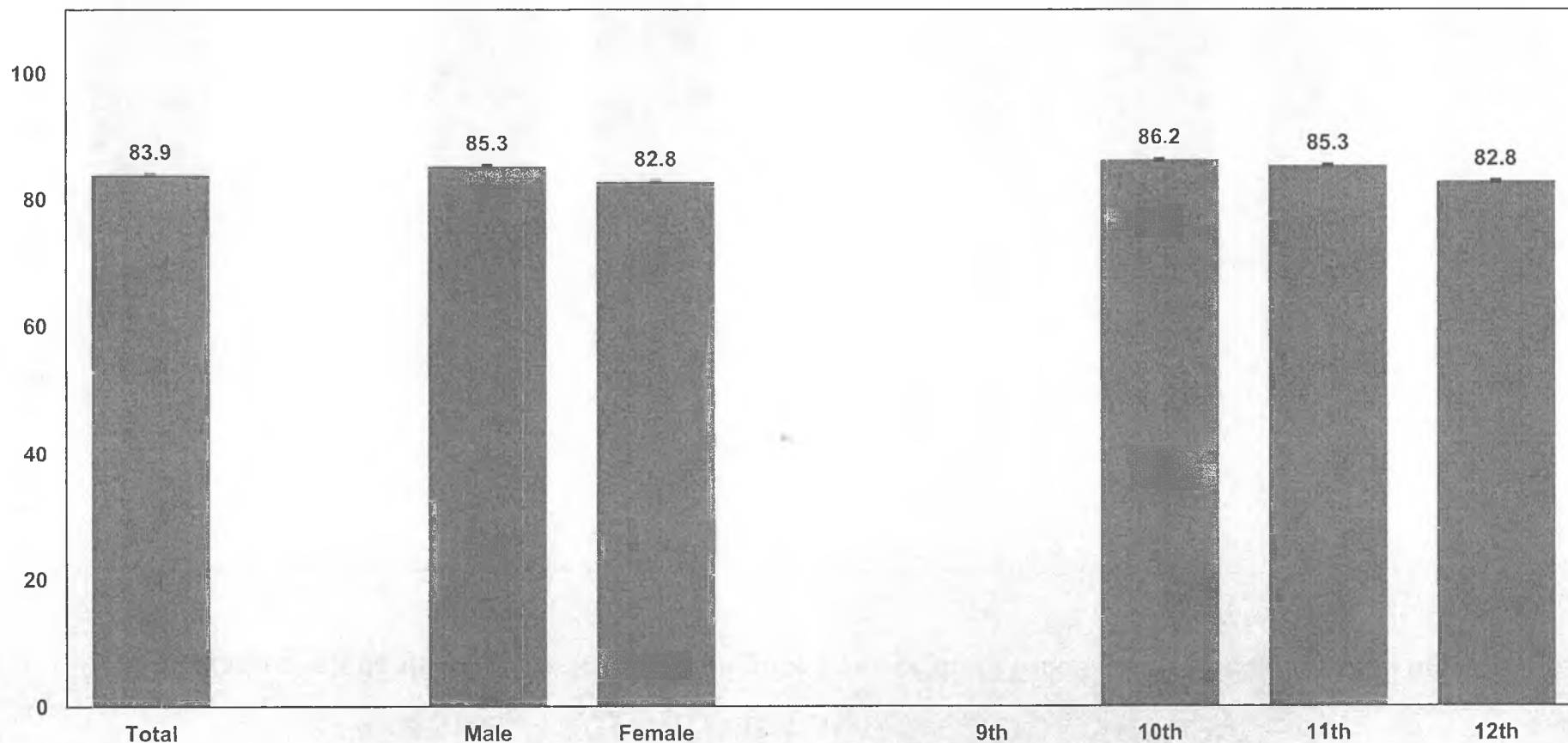
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who ate fruit one or more times during the past seven days



Q73 - Weighted Data

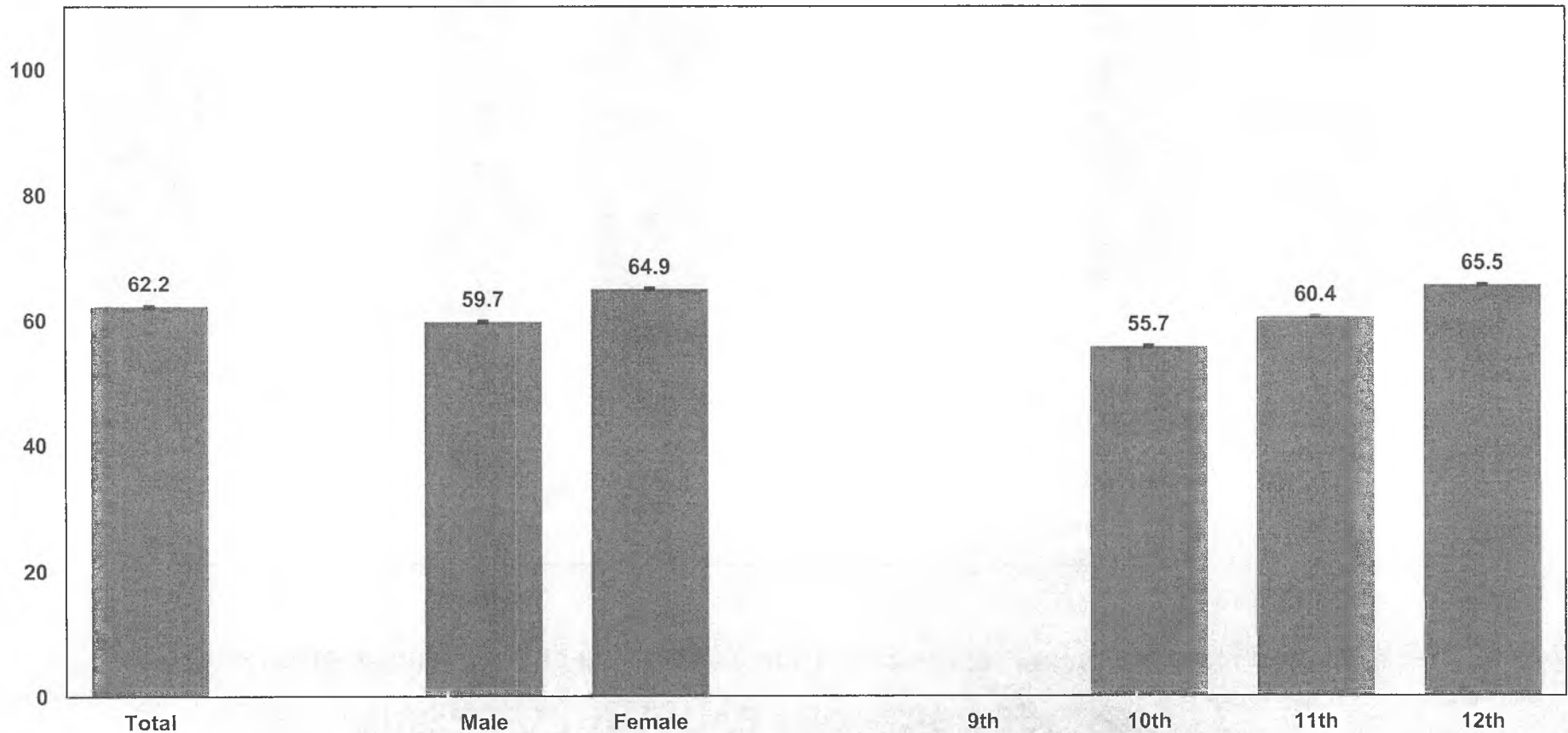
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who ate green salad one or more times during the past seven days



Q74 - Weighted Data

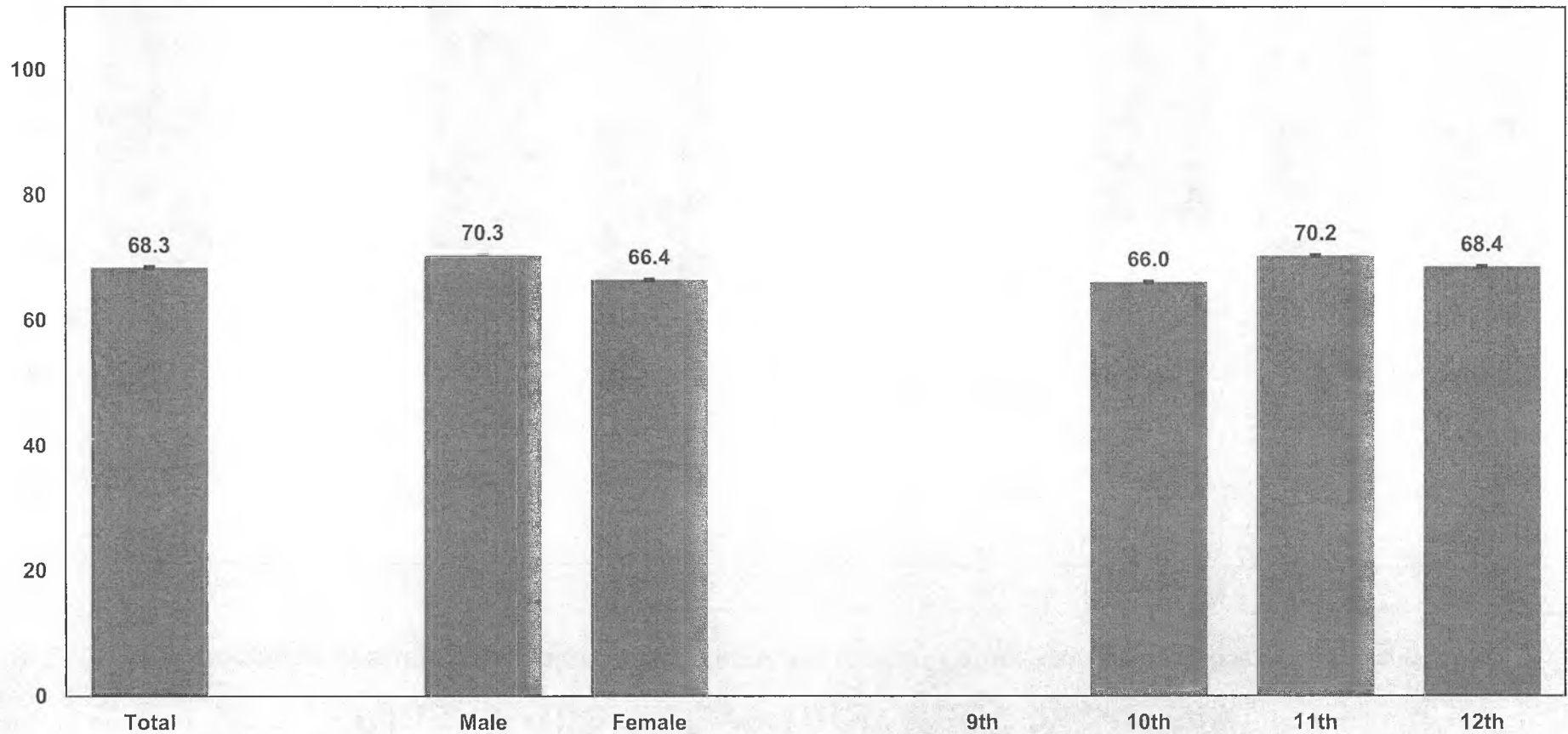
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who ate potatoes one or more times during the past seven days



Q75 - Weighted Data

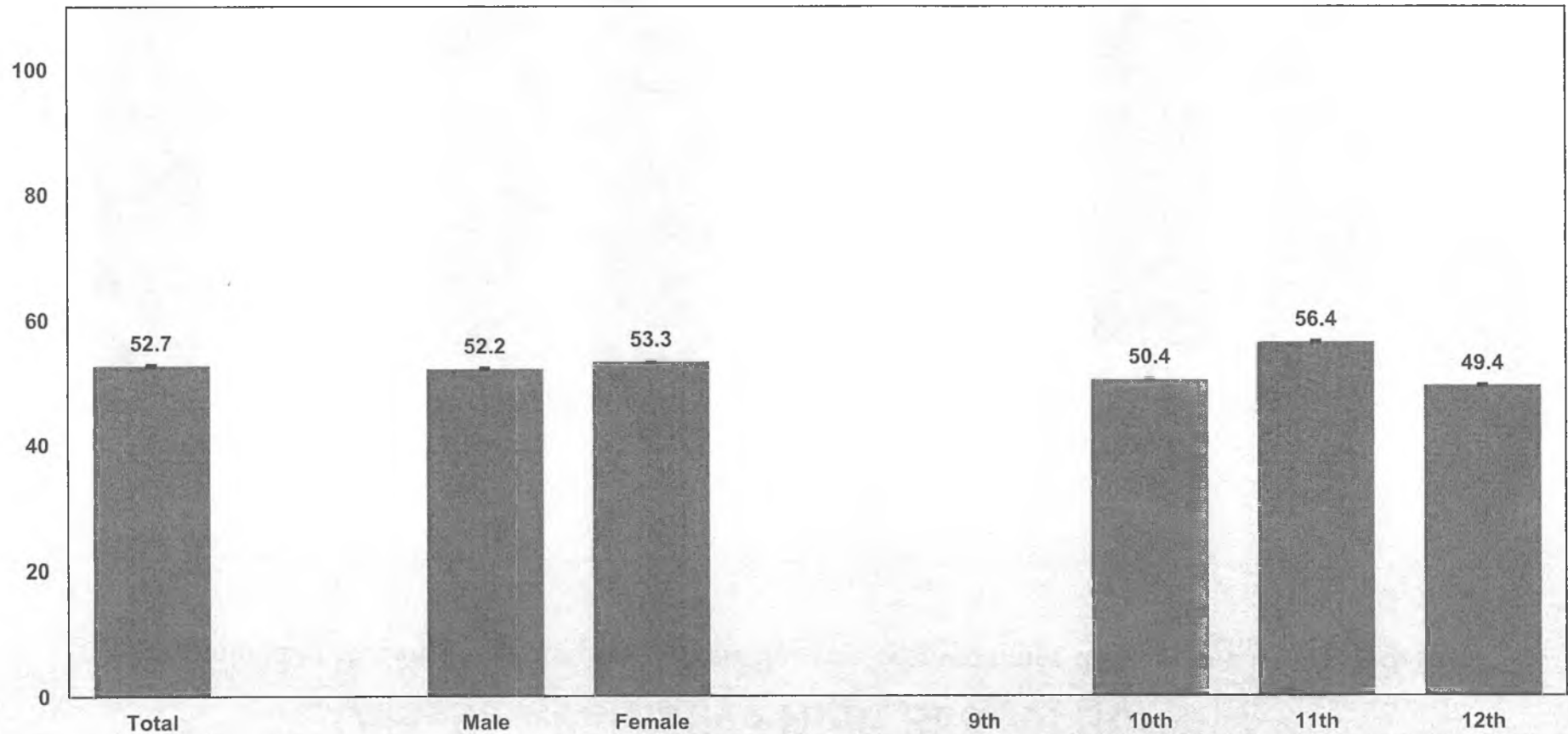
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who ate carrots one or more times during the past seven days



Q76 - Weighted Data

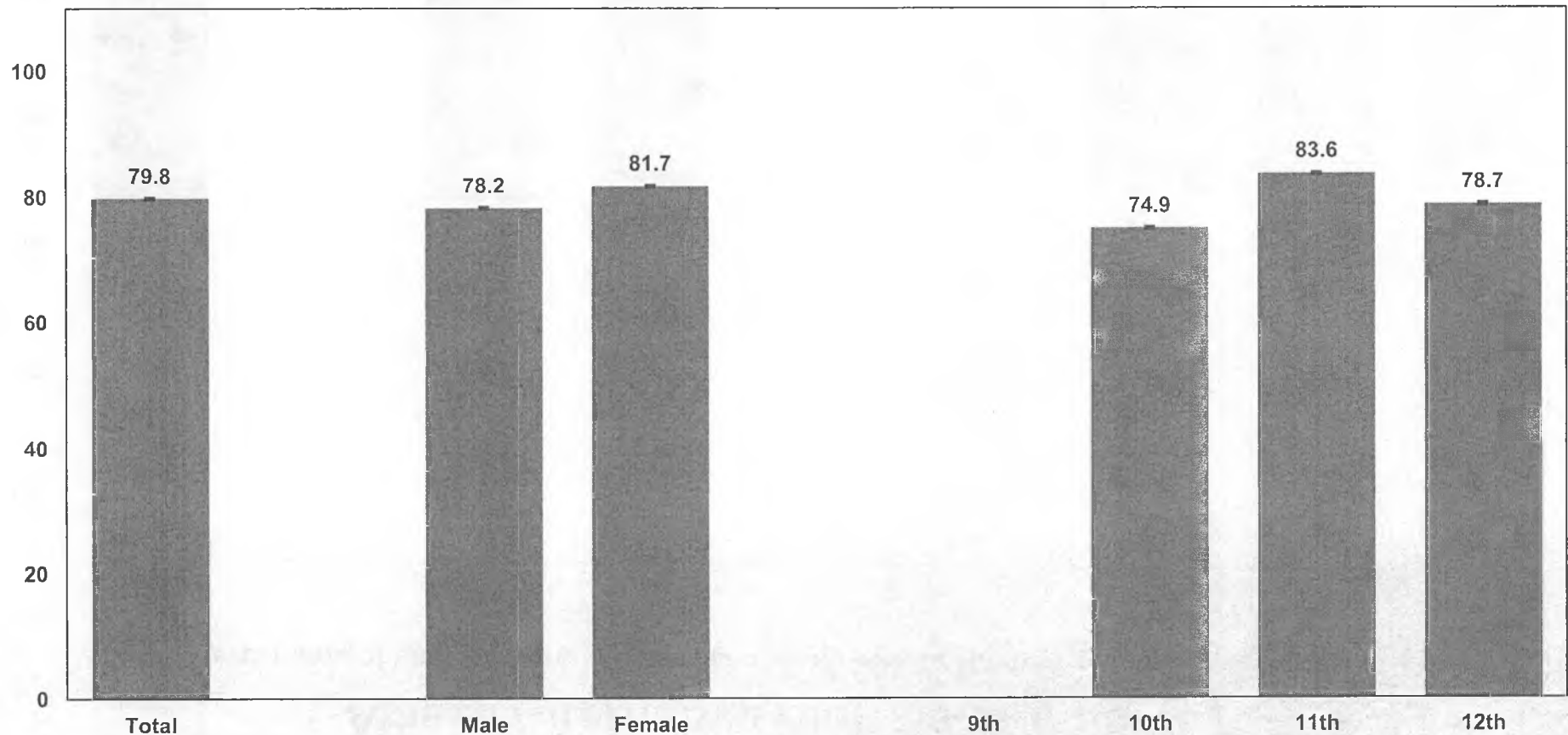
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who ate other vegetables one or more times during the past seven days



Q77 - Weighted Data

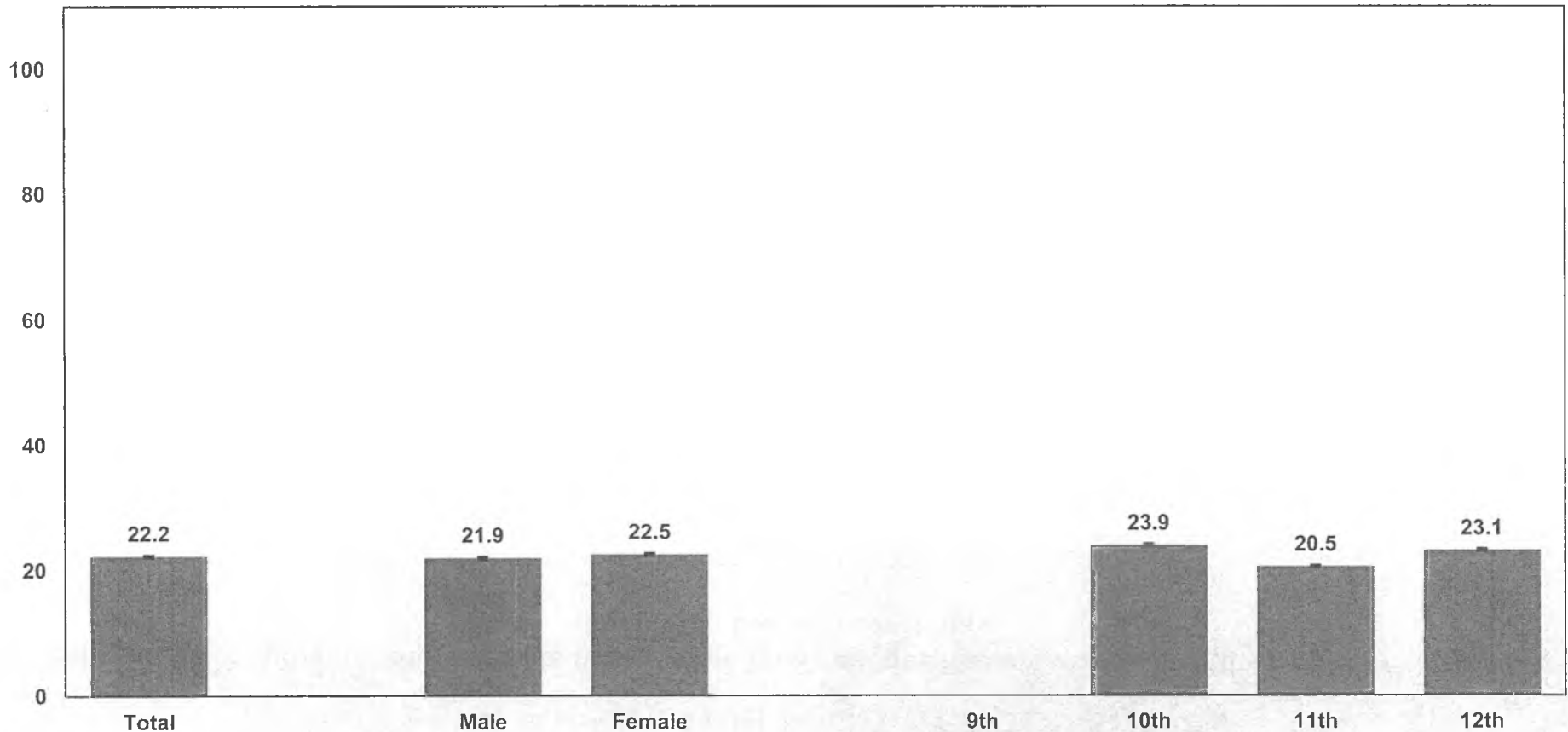
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who ate fruits and vegetables five or more times per day during the past seven days



QNFRVG - Weighted Data

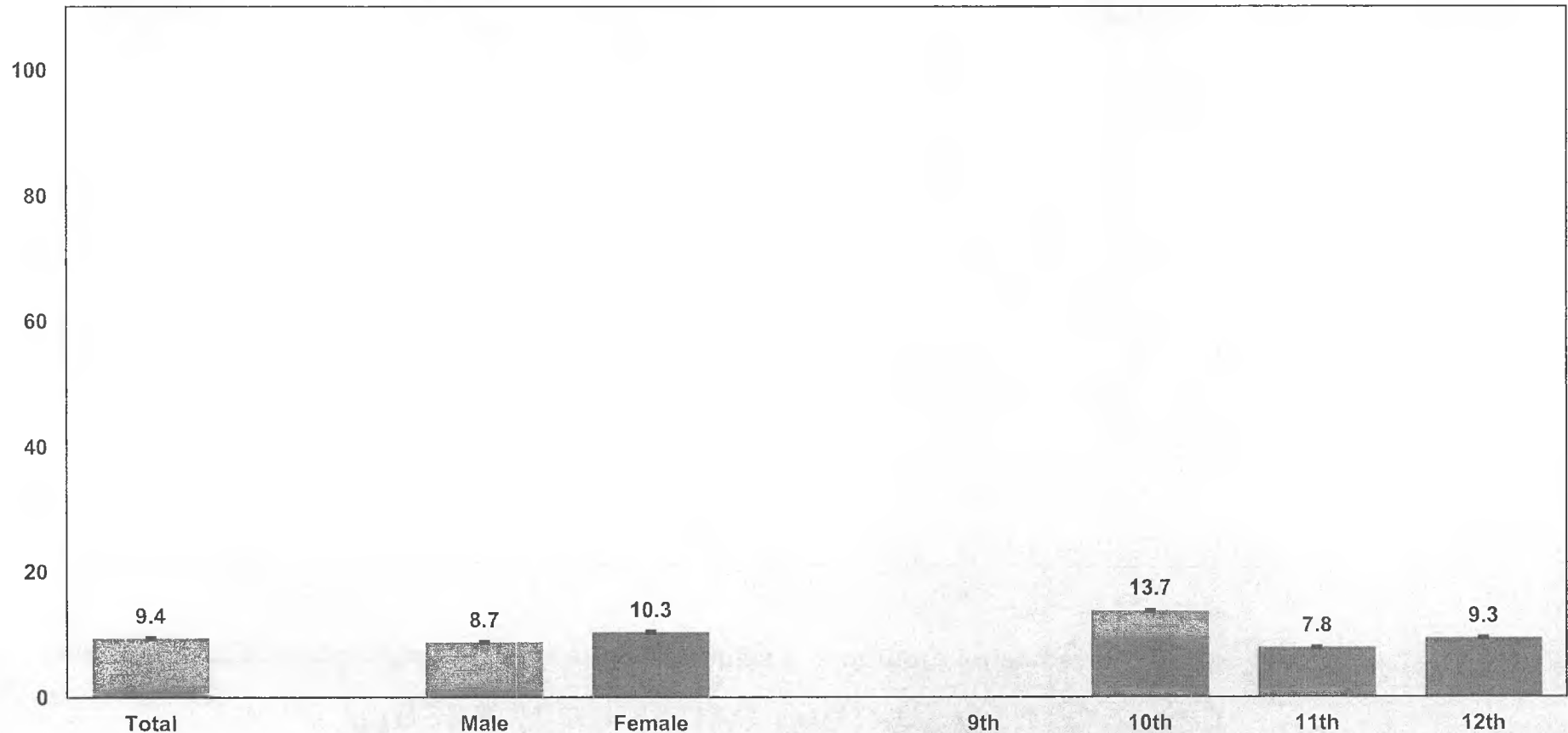
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who ate fruits two or more times per day and ate vegetables three or more times per day during the past seven days



QNFRVG2 - Weighted Data

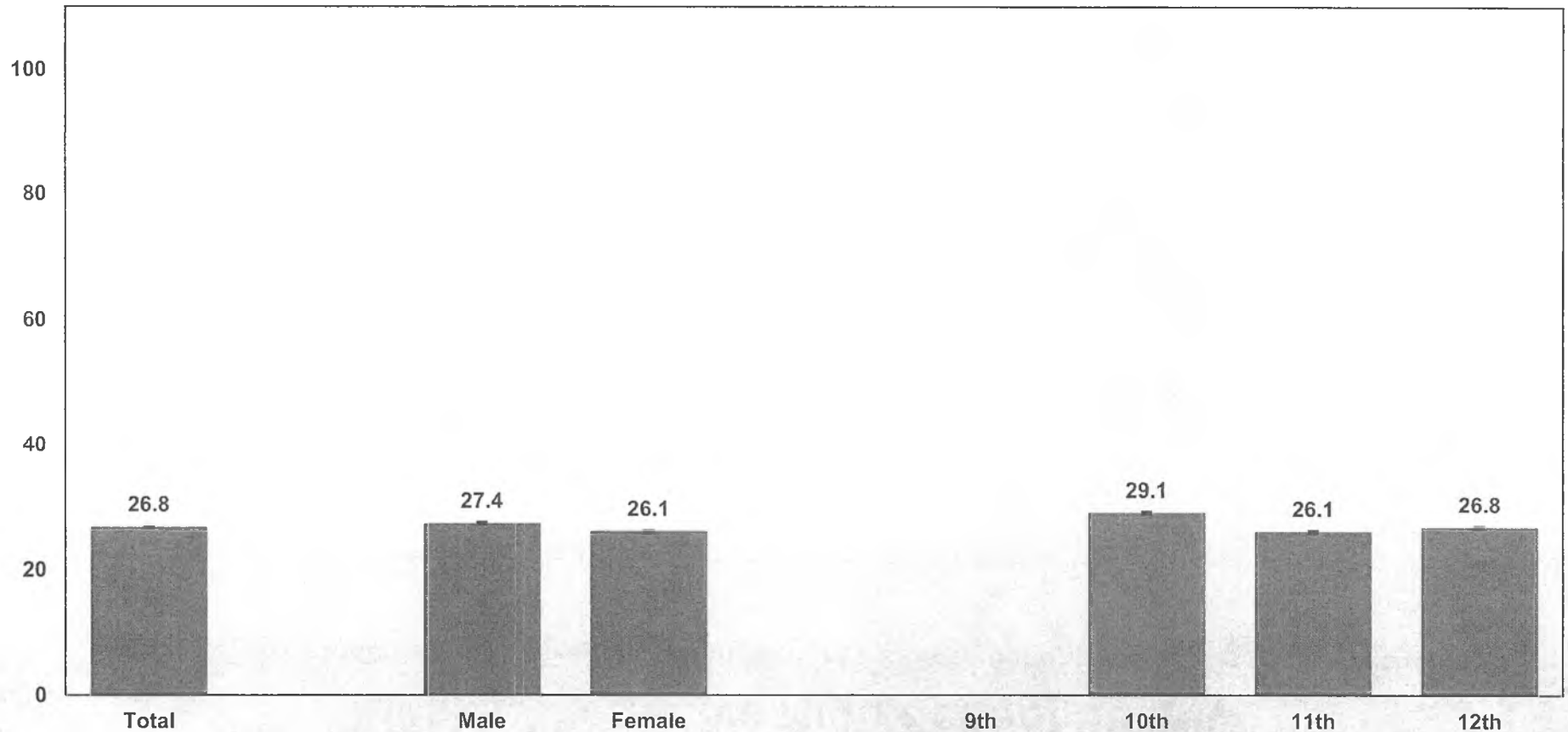
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who ate fruits two or more times per day during the past seven days



QNFRUIT - Weighted Data

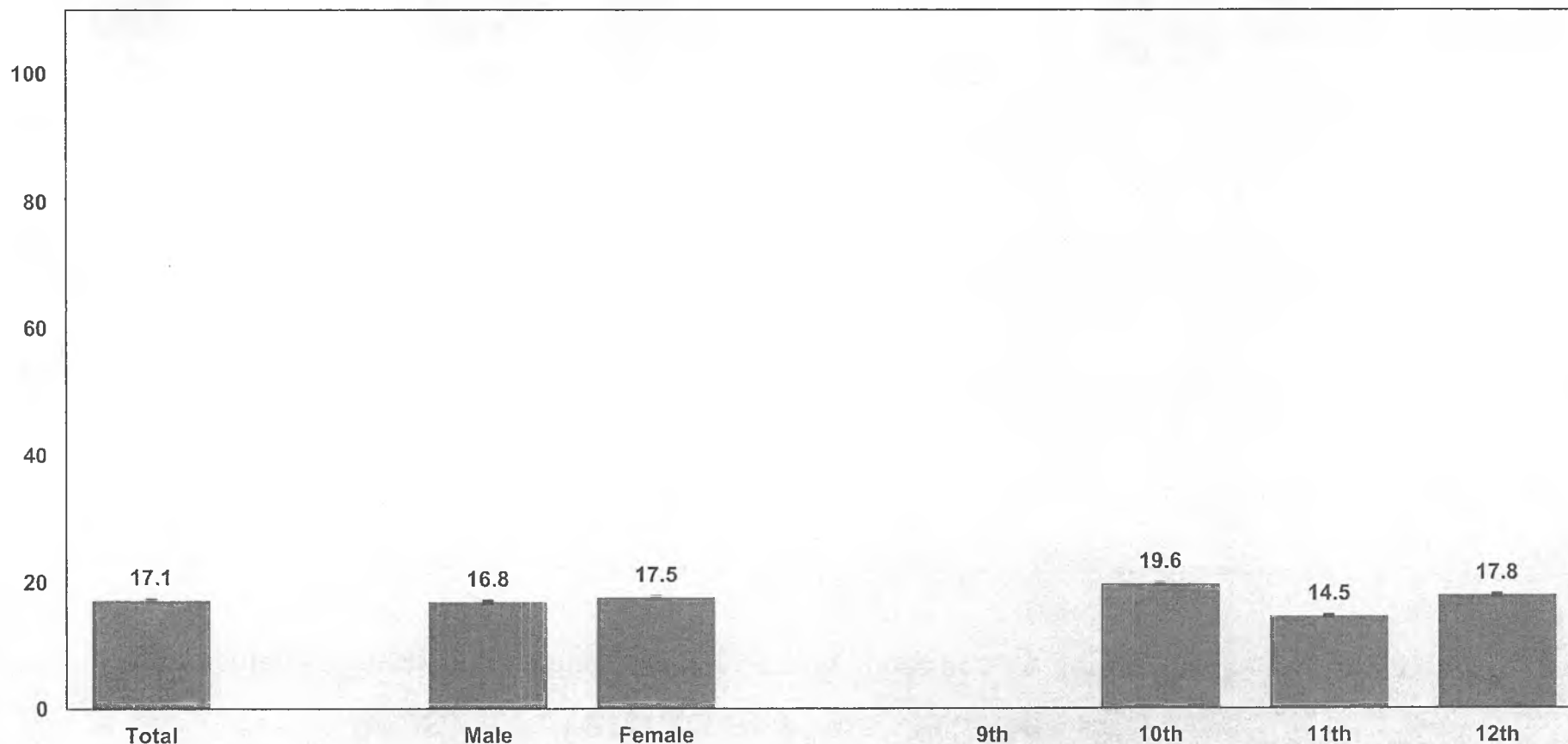
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who ate vegetables three or more times per day during the past seven days



QNVEG - Weighted Data

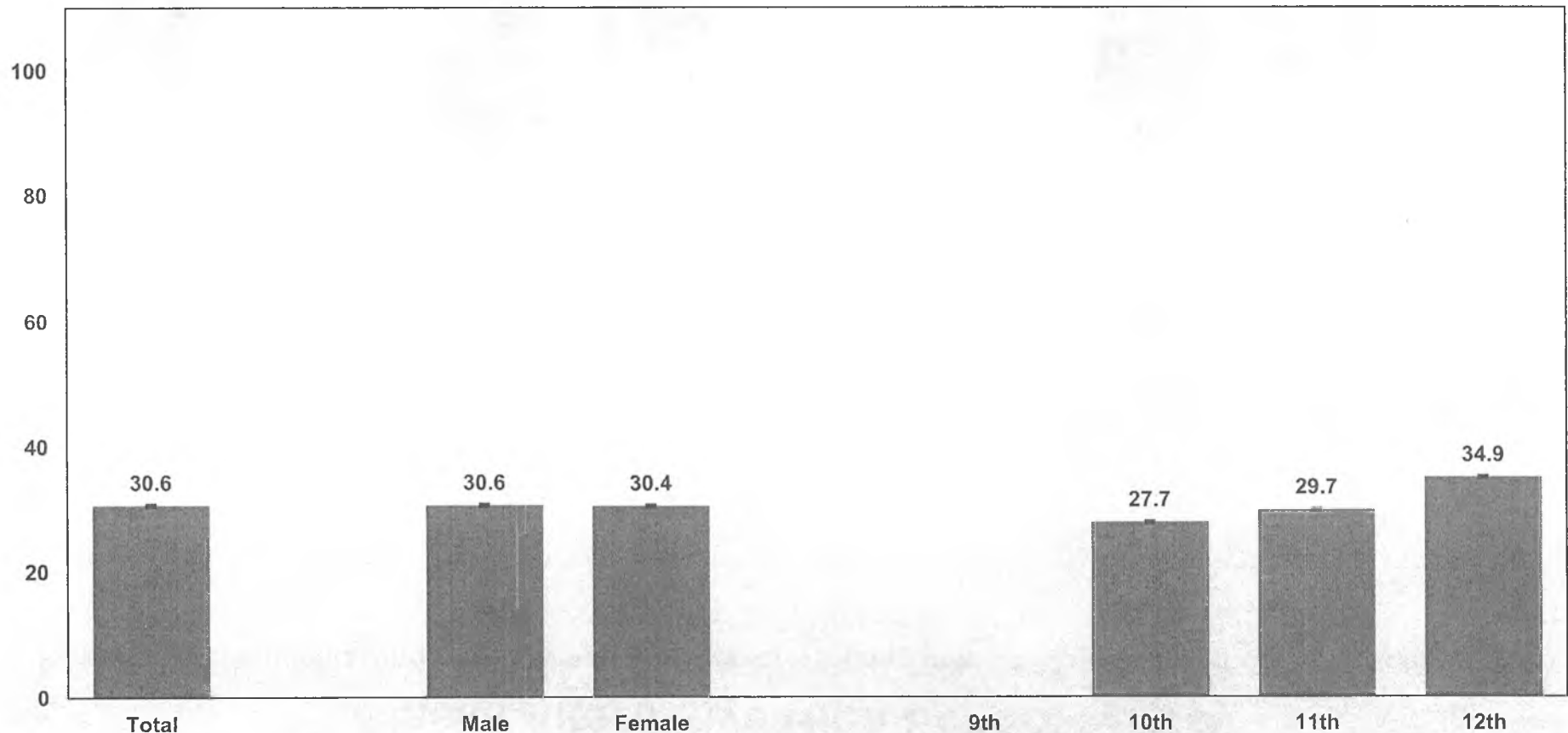
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who drank a can, bottle, or glass of soda or pop one or more times per day during the past seven days



Q78 - Weighted Data

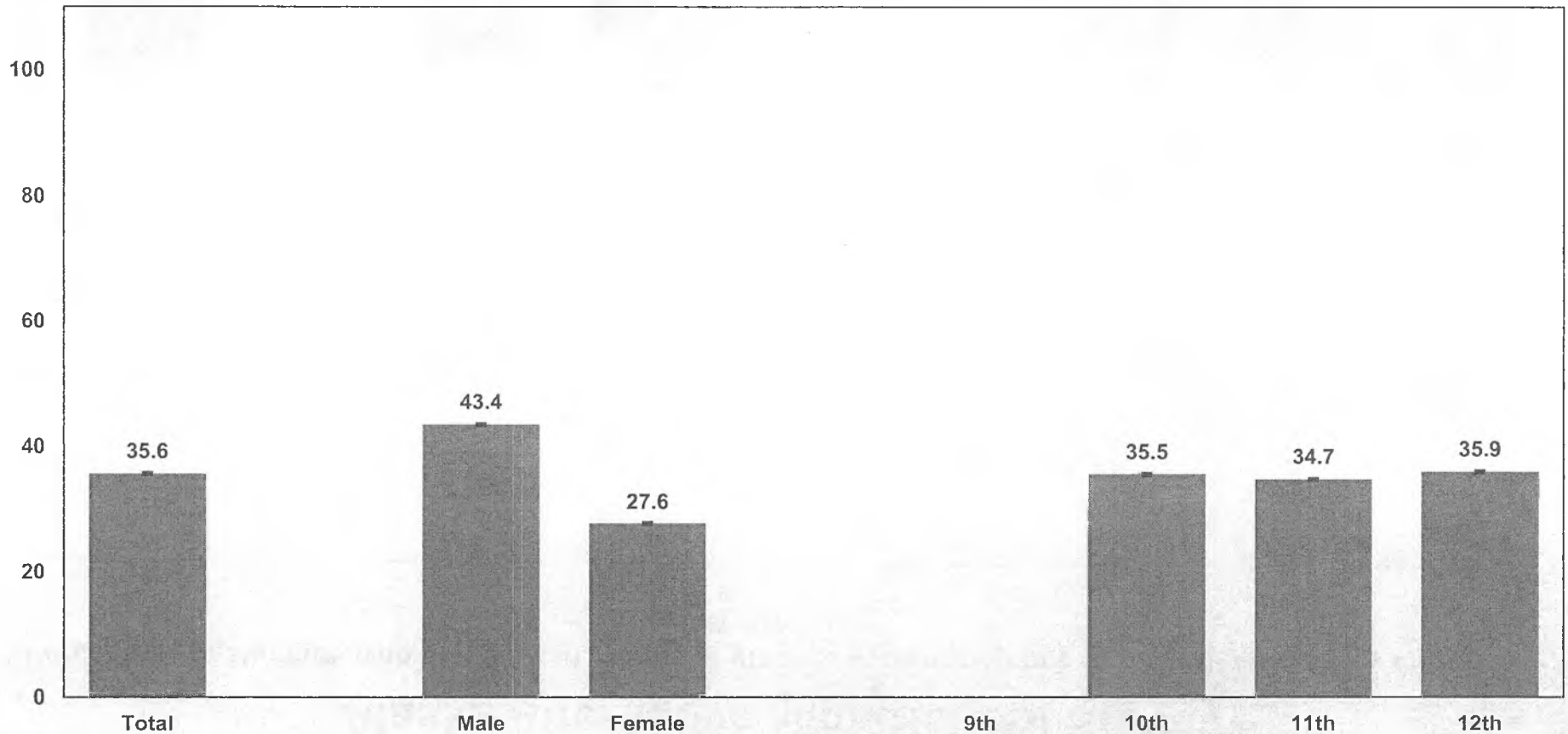
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who were physically active for a total of at least 60 minutes per day on five or more of the past seven days



Q79 - Weighted Data

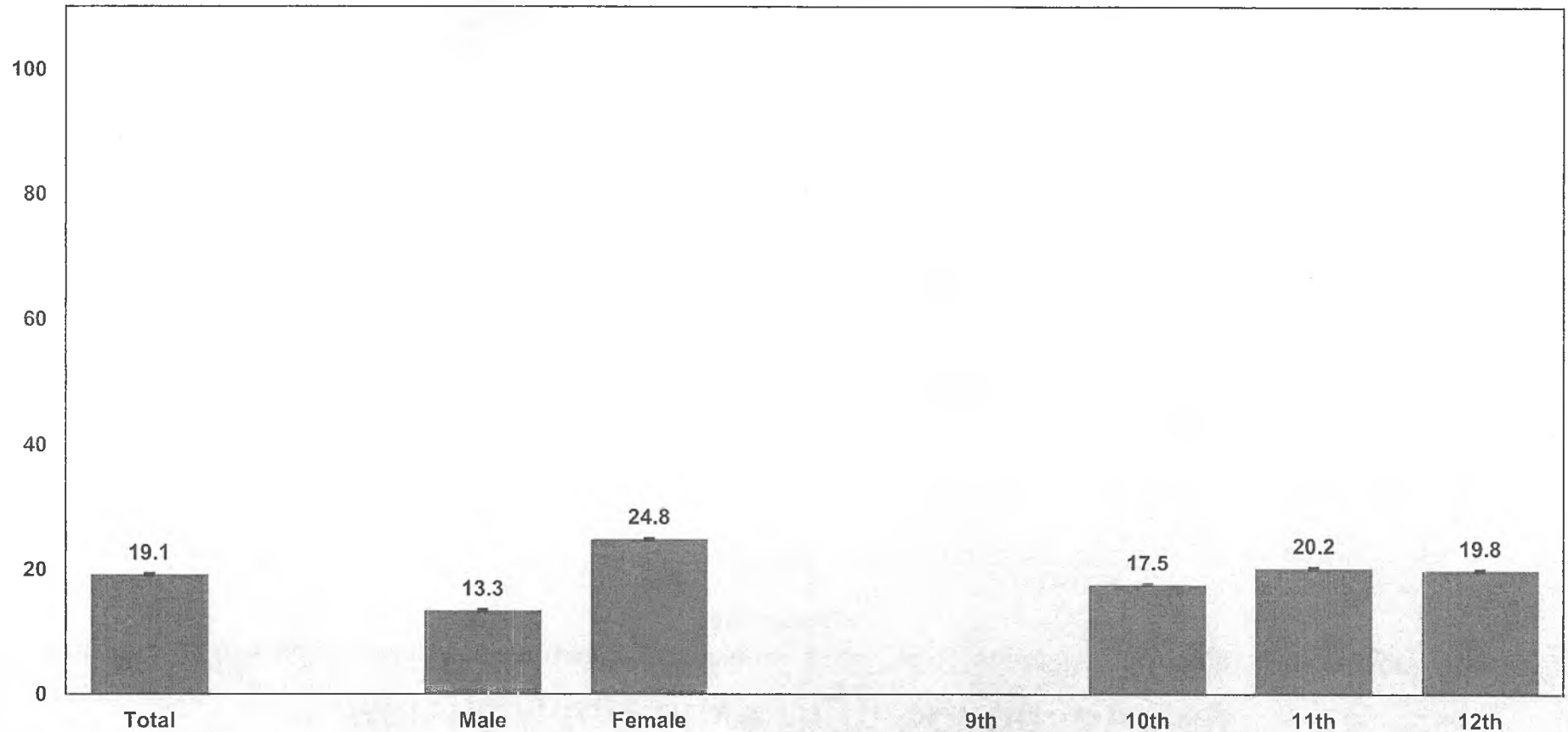
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who were physically active for a total of at least 60 minutes per day on 0 of the past seven days



QNPA0DAY - Weighted Data

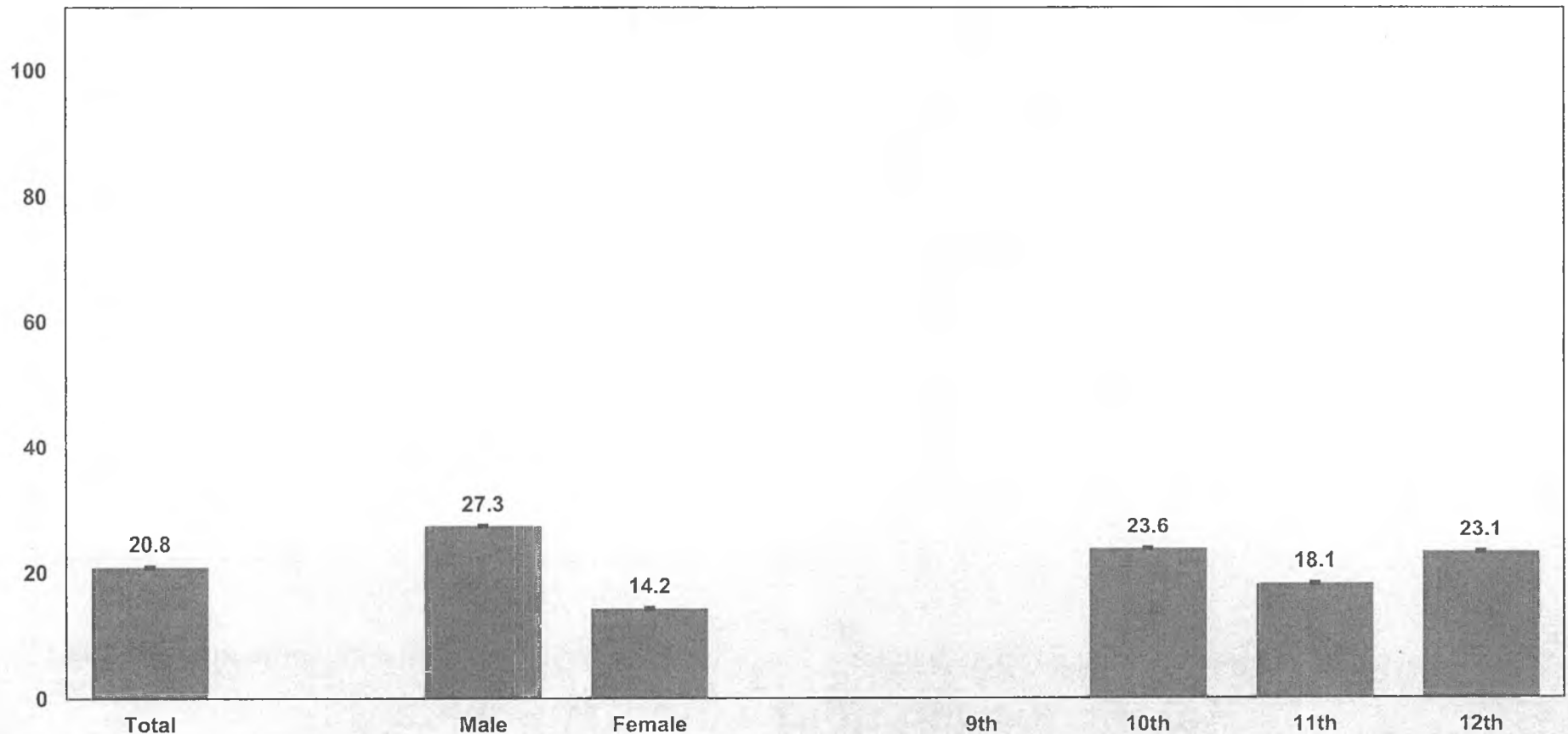
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who were physically active for a total of at least 60 minutes per day on 7 of the past seven days



QNPA7DAY - Weighted Data

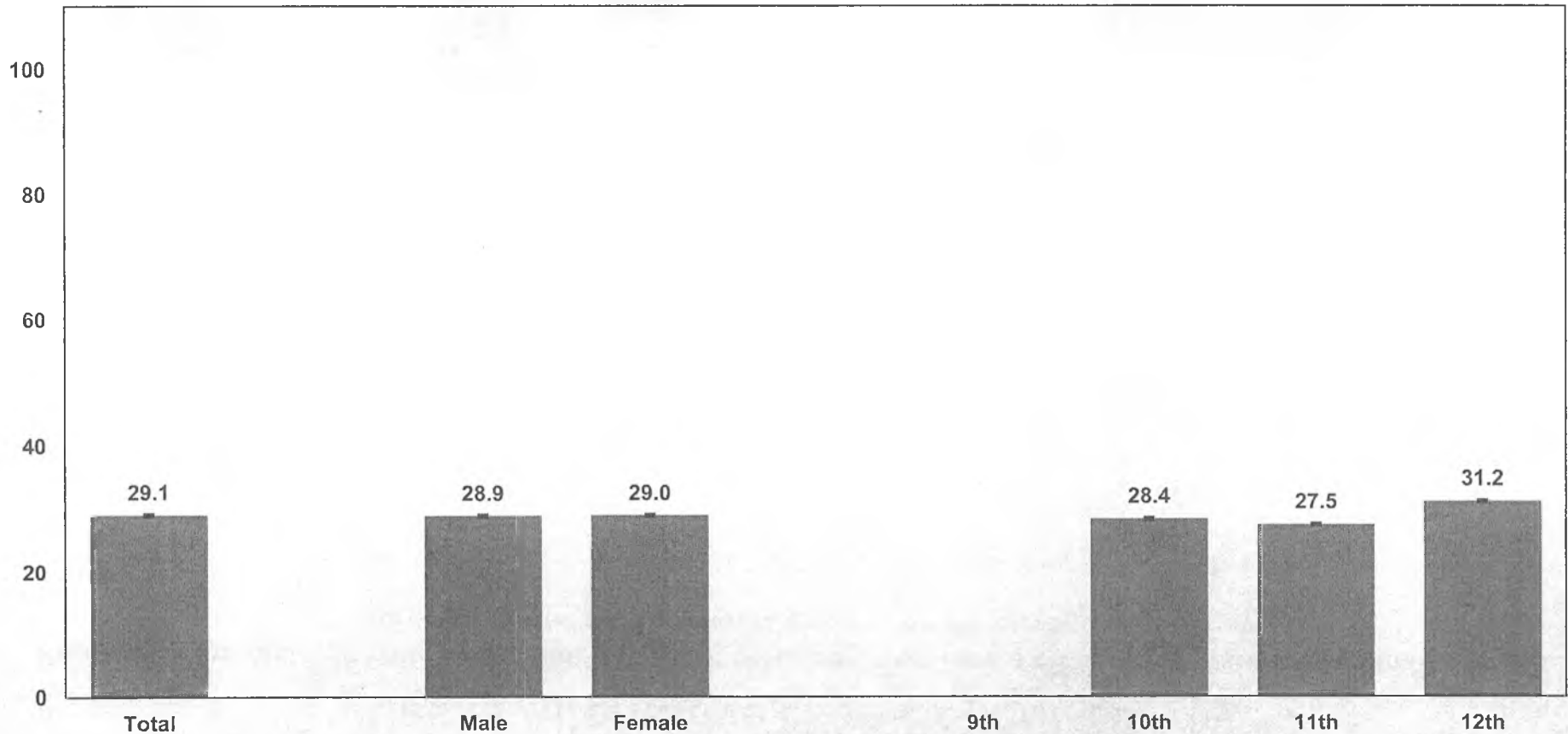
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who watched three or more hours per day of TV on an average school day



Q80 - Weighted Data

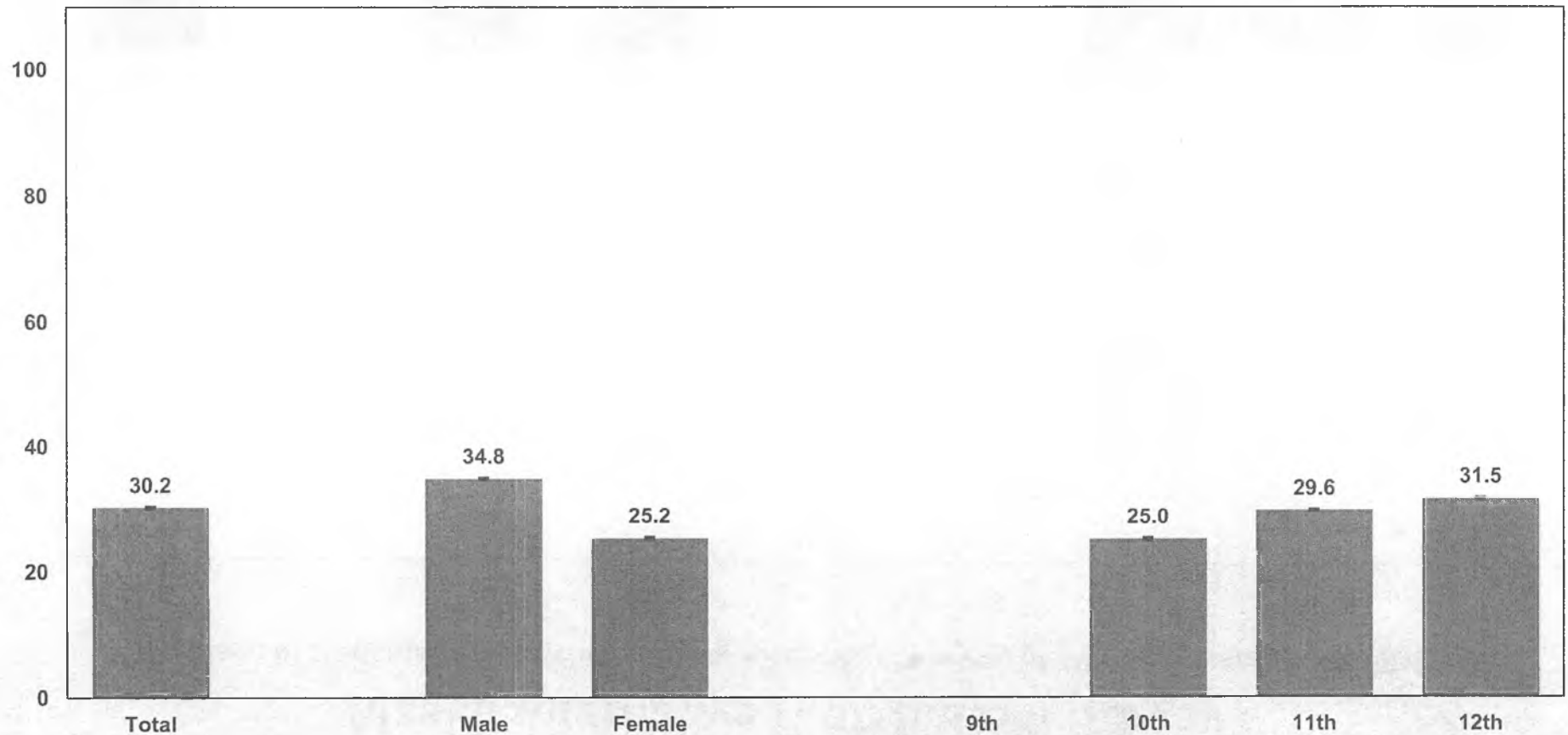
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who played video or computer games or used a computer for something that was not school work three or more hours per day on an average school day



Q81 - Weighted Data

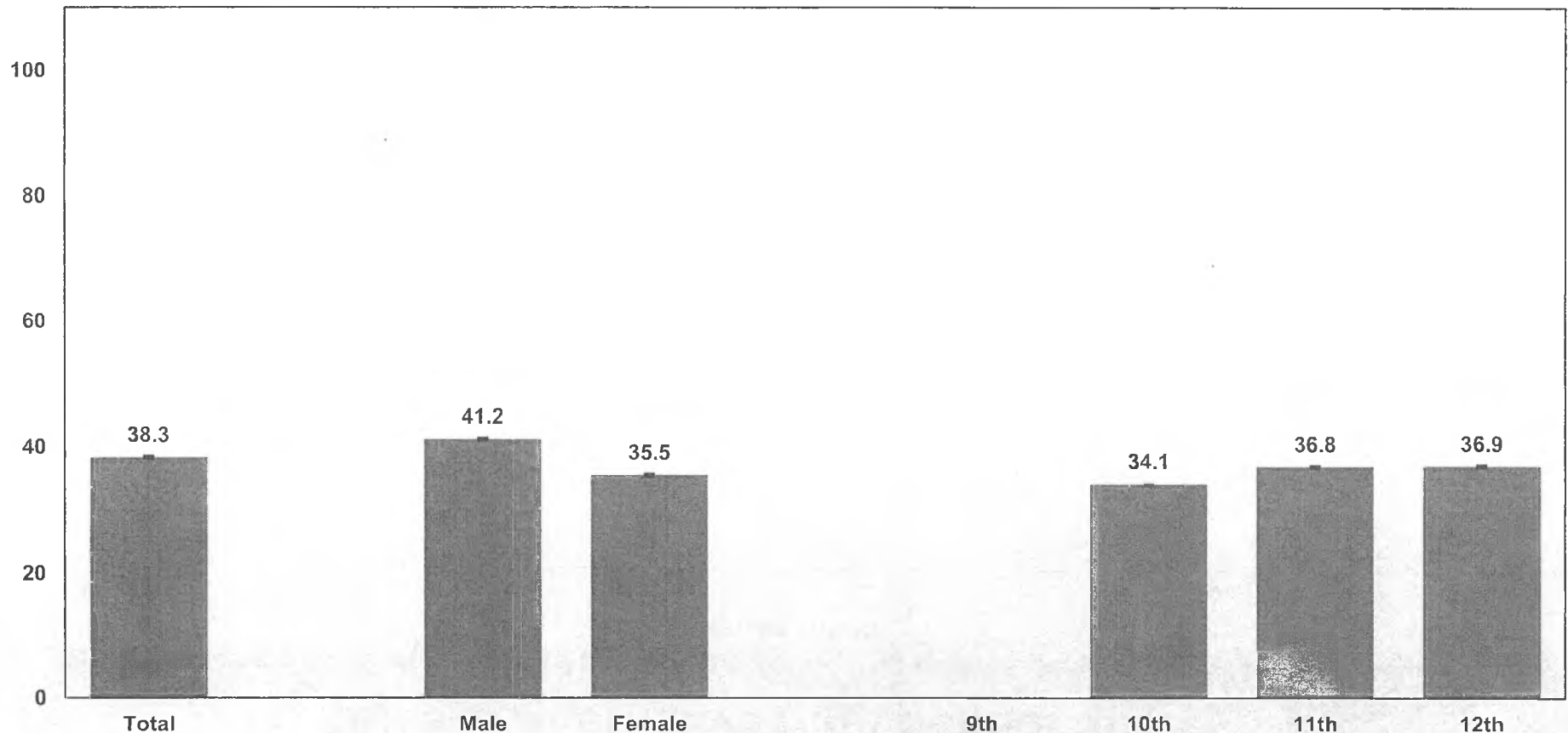
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who attended physical education (PE) classes on one or more days in an average week when they were in school



Q82 - Weighted Data

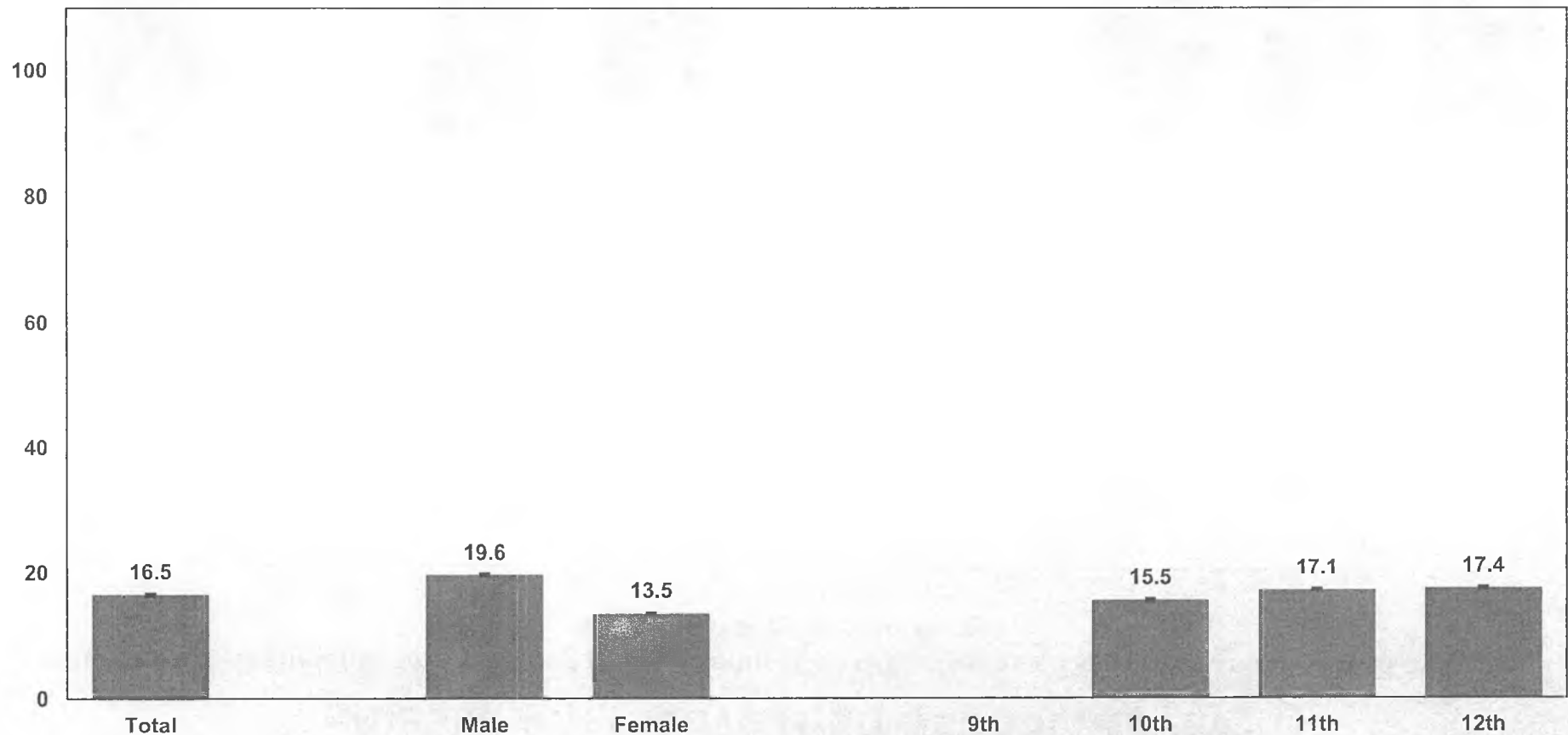
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who attended physical education (PE) classes daily in an average week when they were in school



QNDLYPE - Weighted Data

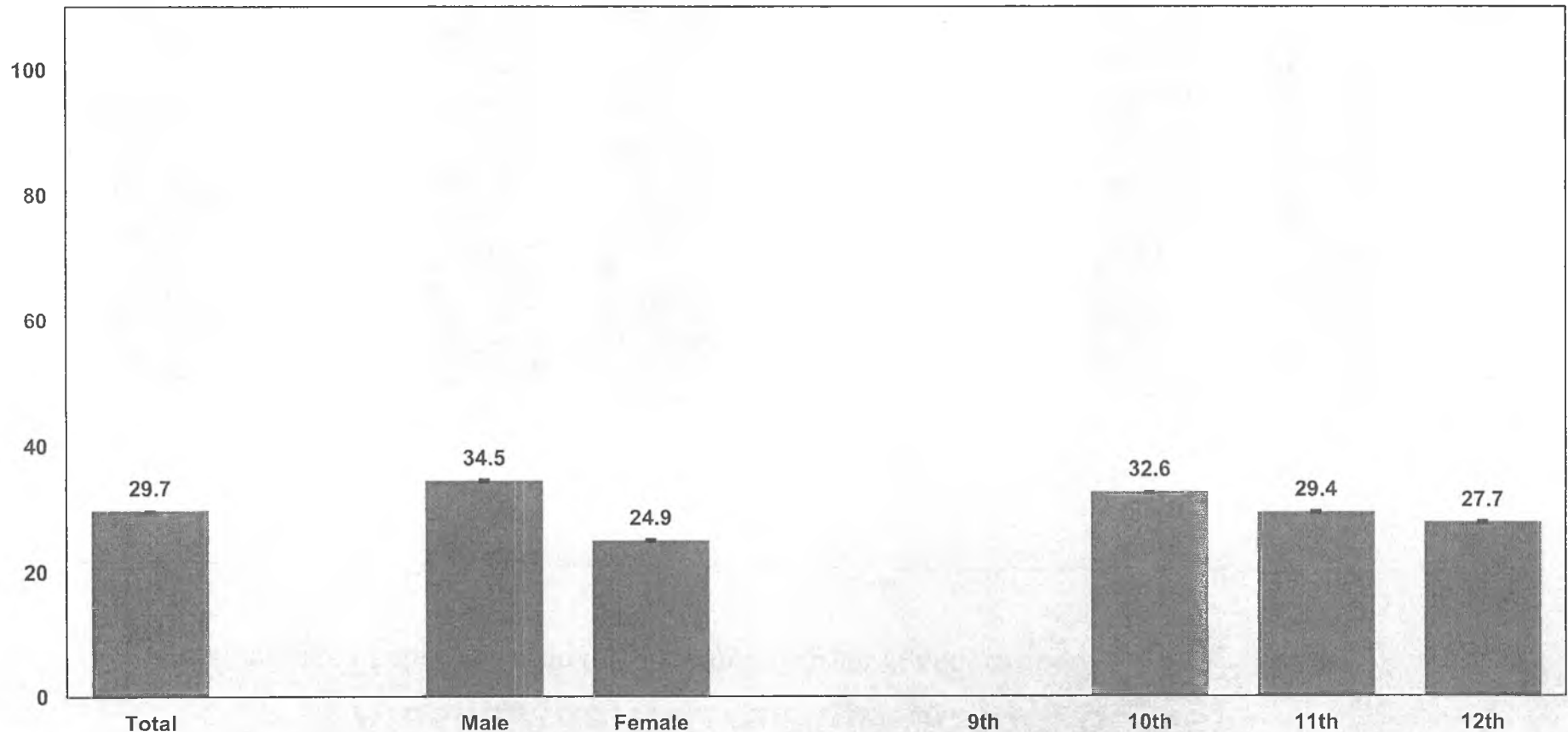
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who played on one or more sports teams during the past 12 months



Q83 - Weighted Data

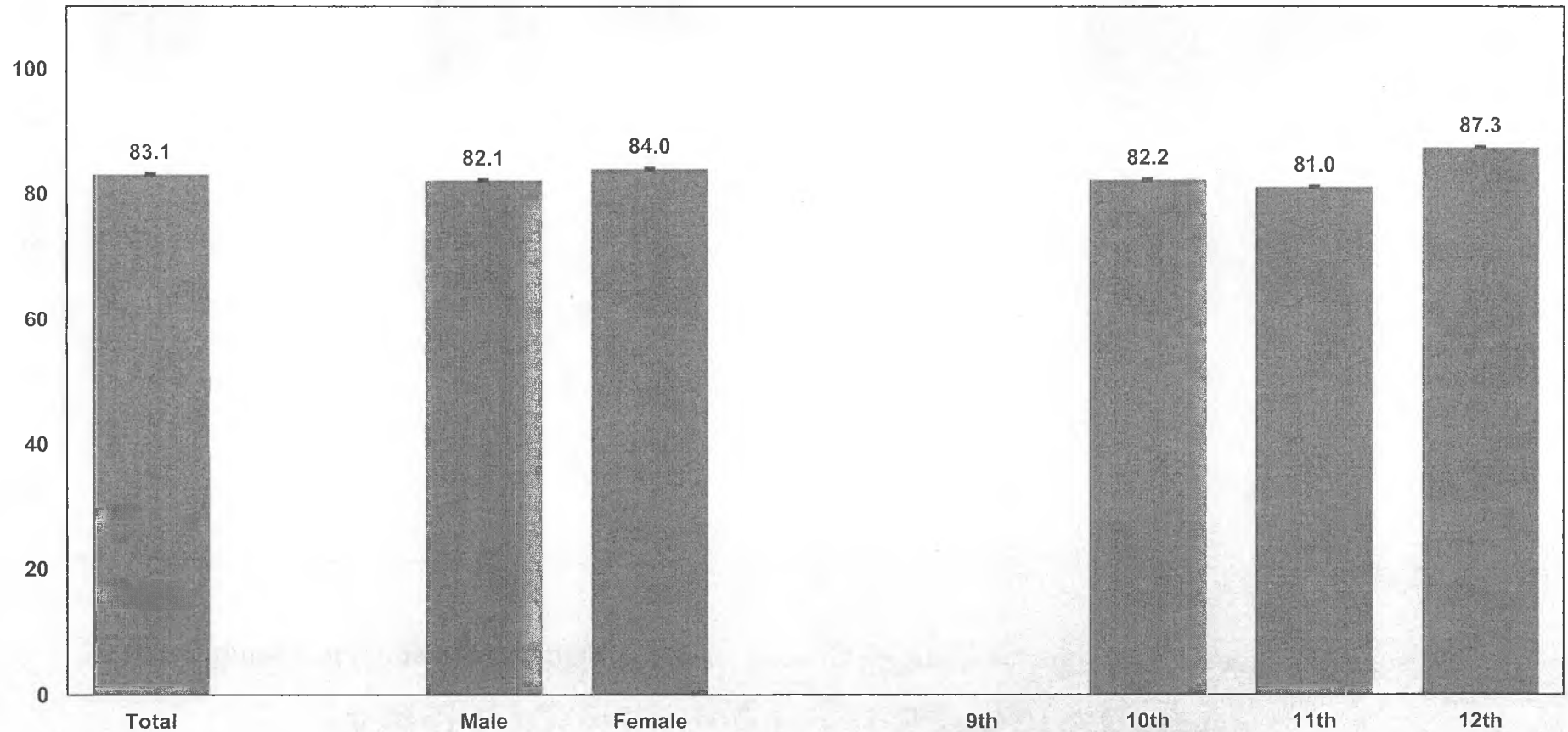
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who had ever been taught in school about AIDS or HIV infection



Q84 - Weighted Data

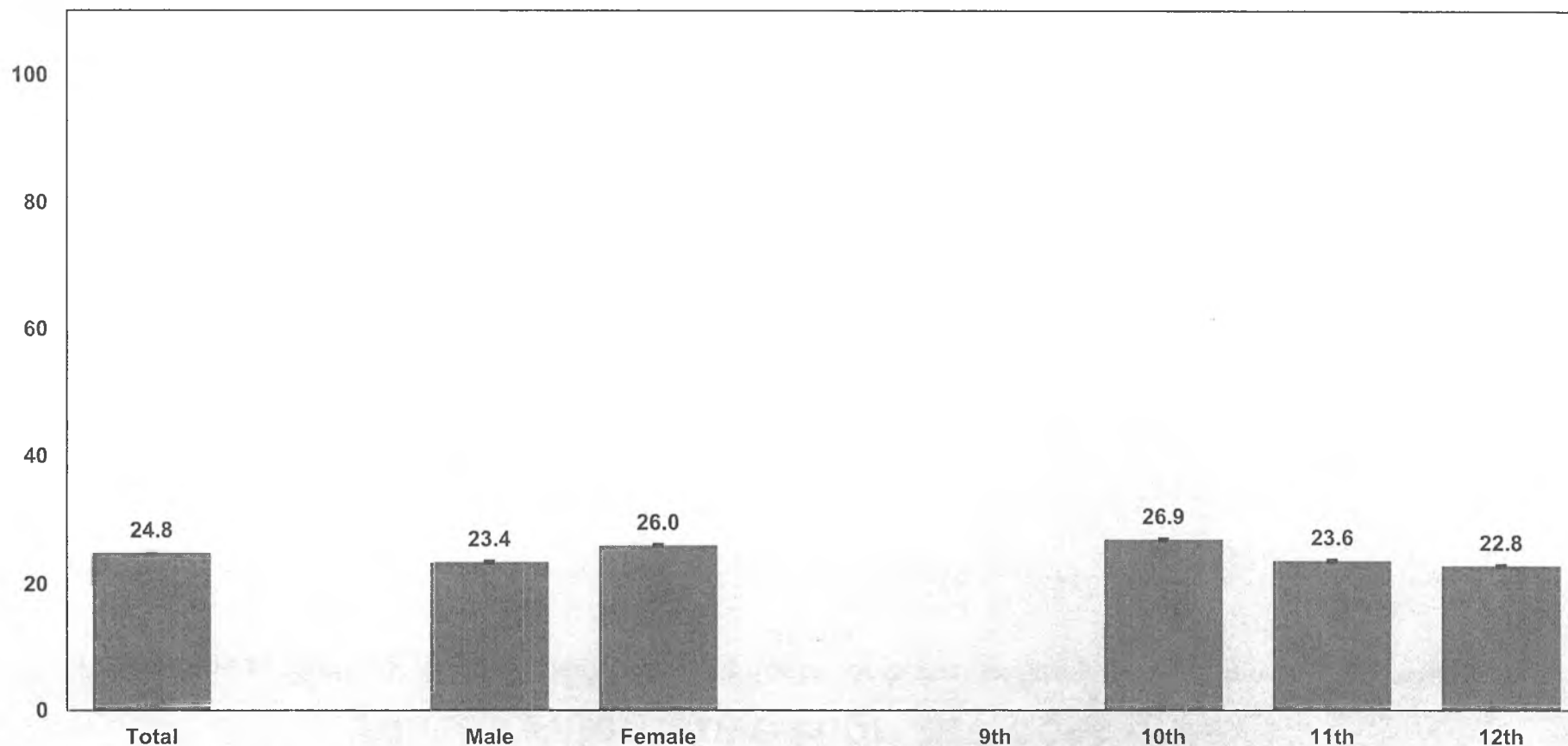
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who had ever been told by a doctor or nurse that they had asthma



Q85 - Weighted Data

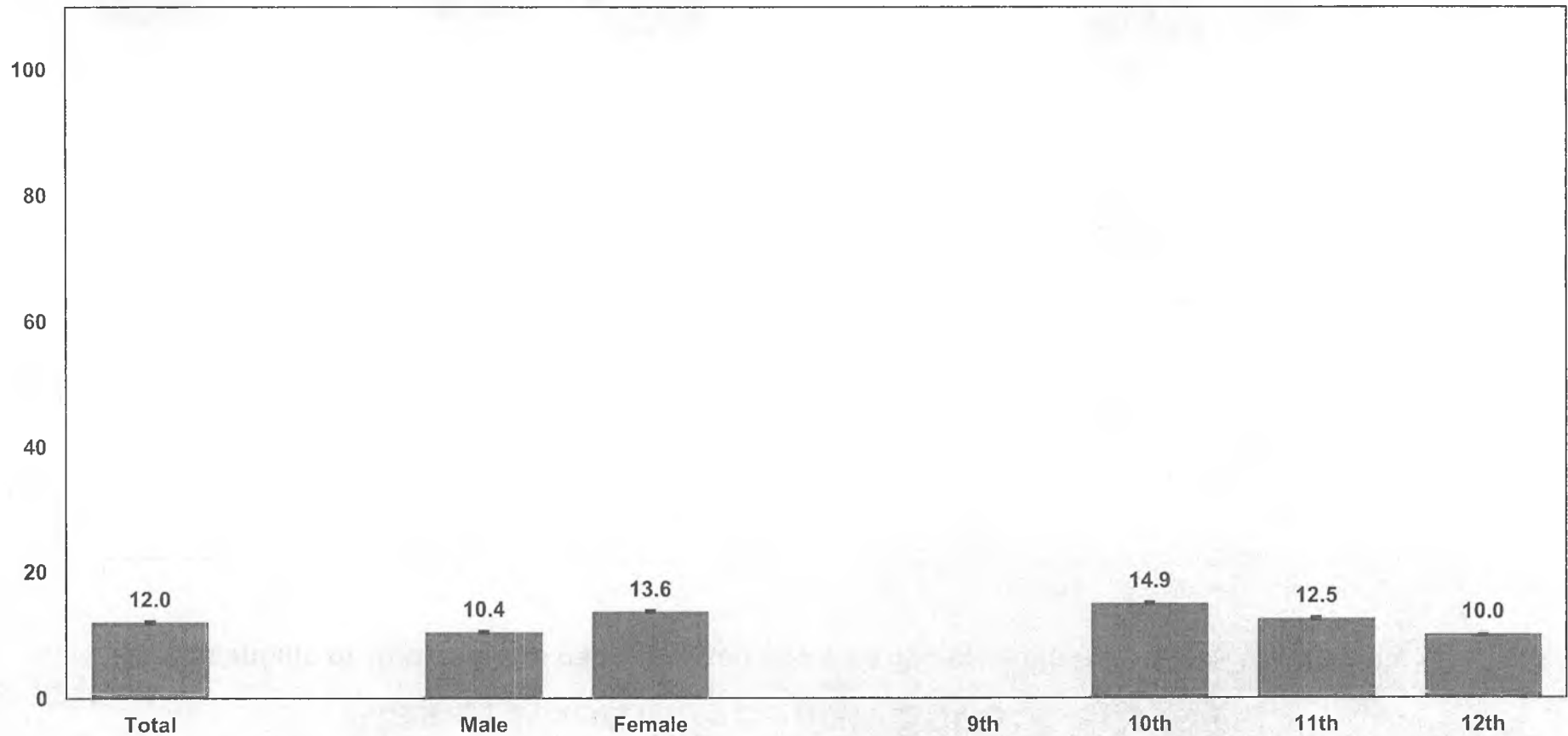
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who had been told by a doctor or nurse that they had asthma and who still have asthma



Q86 - Weighted Data

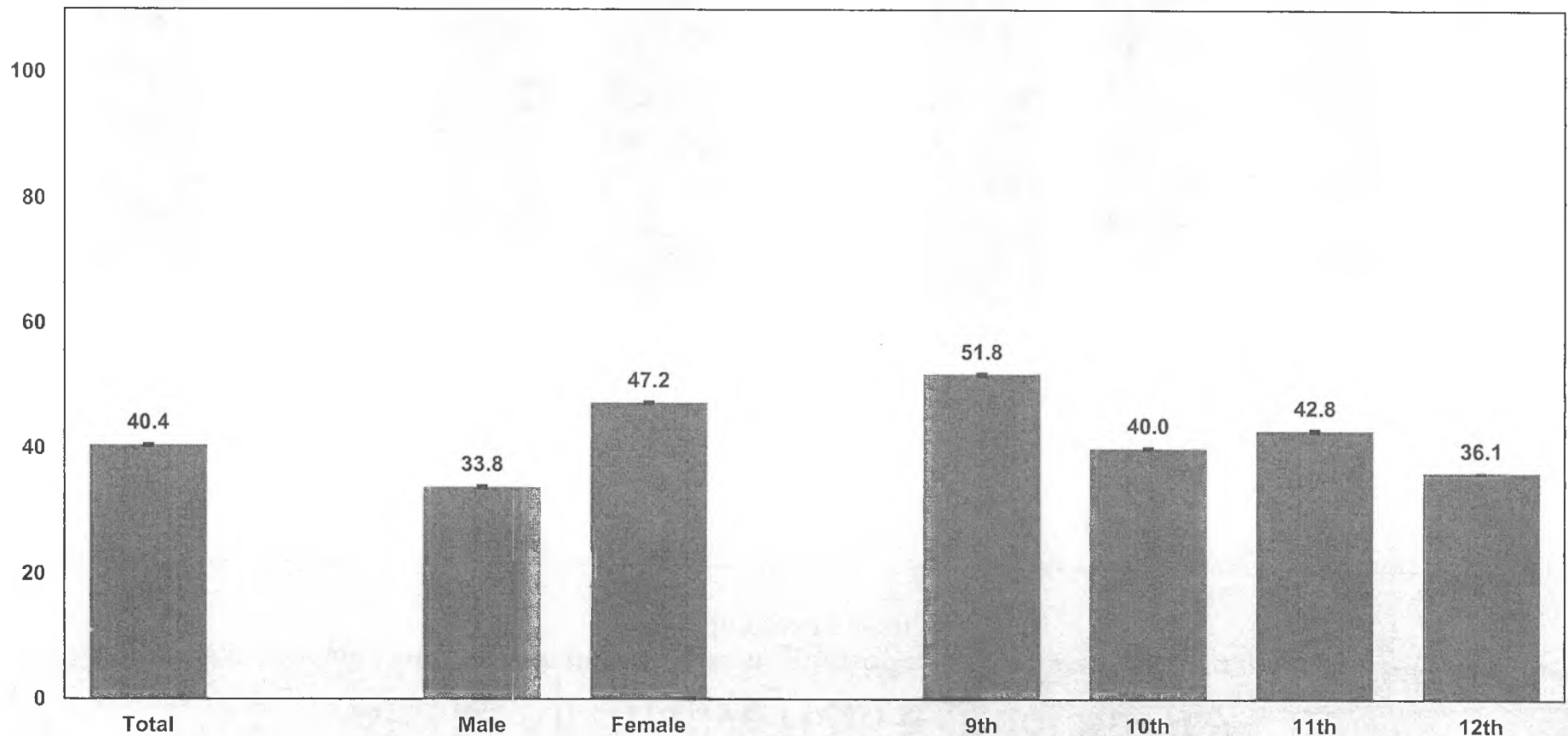
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who would describe their grades in school as mostly A's or B's during the past 12 months



Q87 - Weighted Data

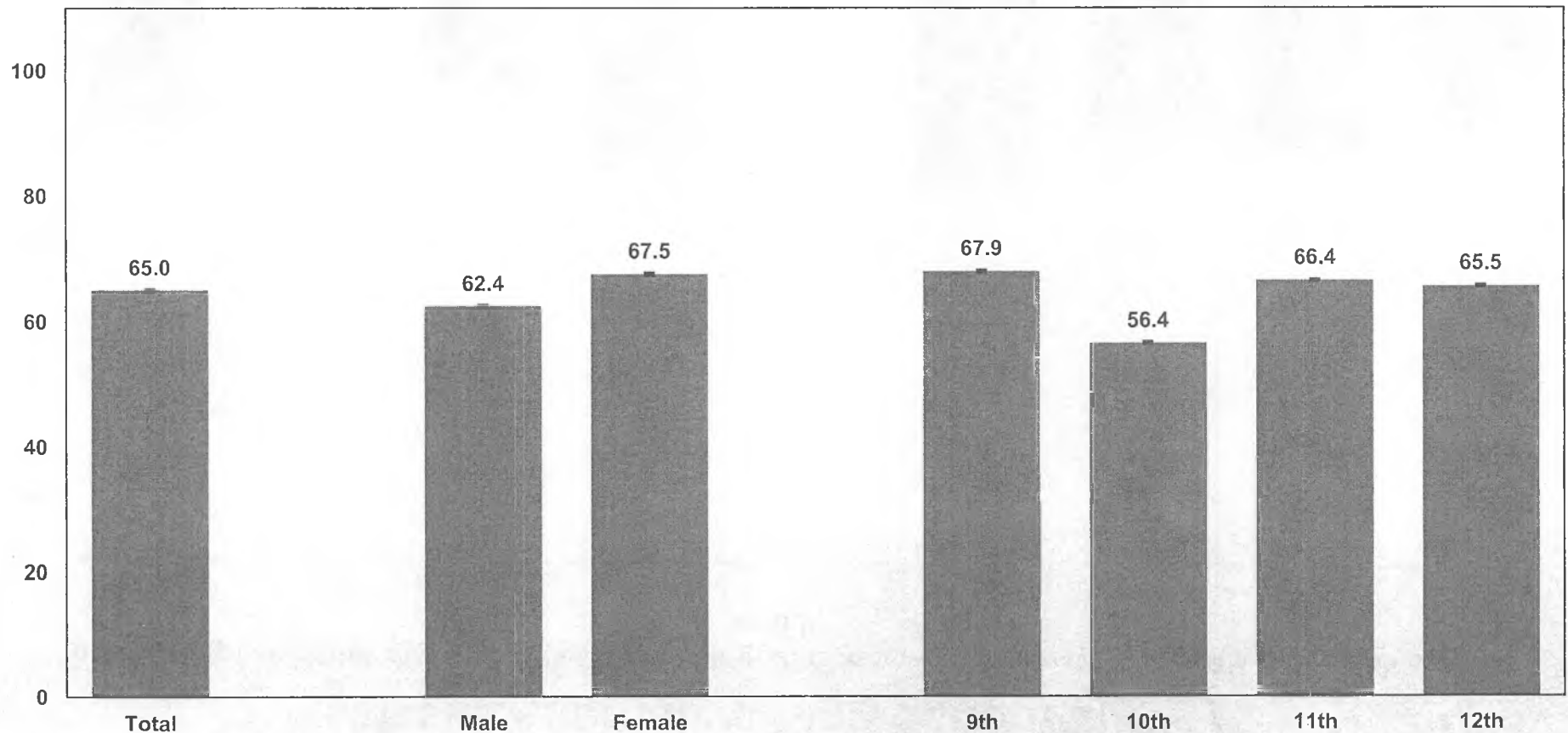
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who were in the same room with someone who was smoking cigarettes on one or more of the past seven days



Q88 - Weighted Data

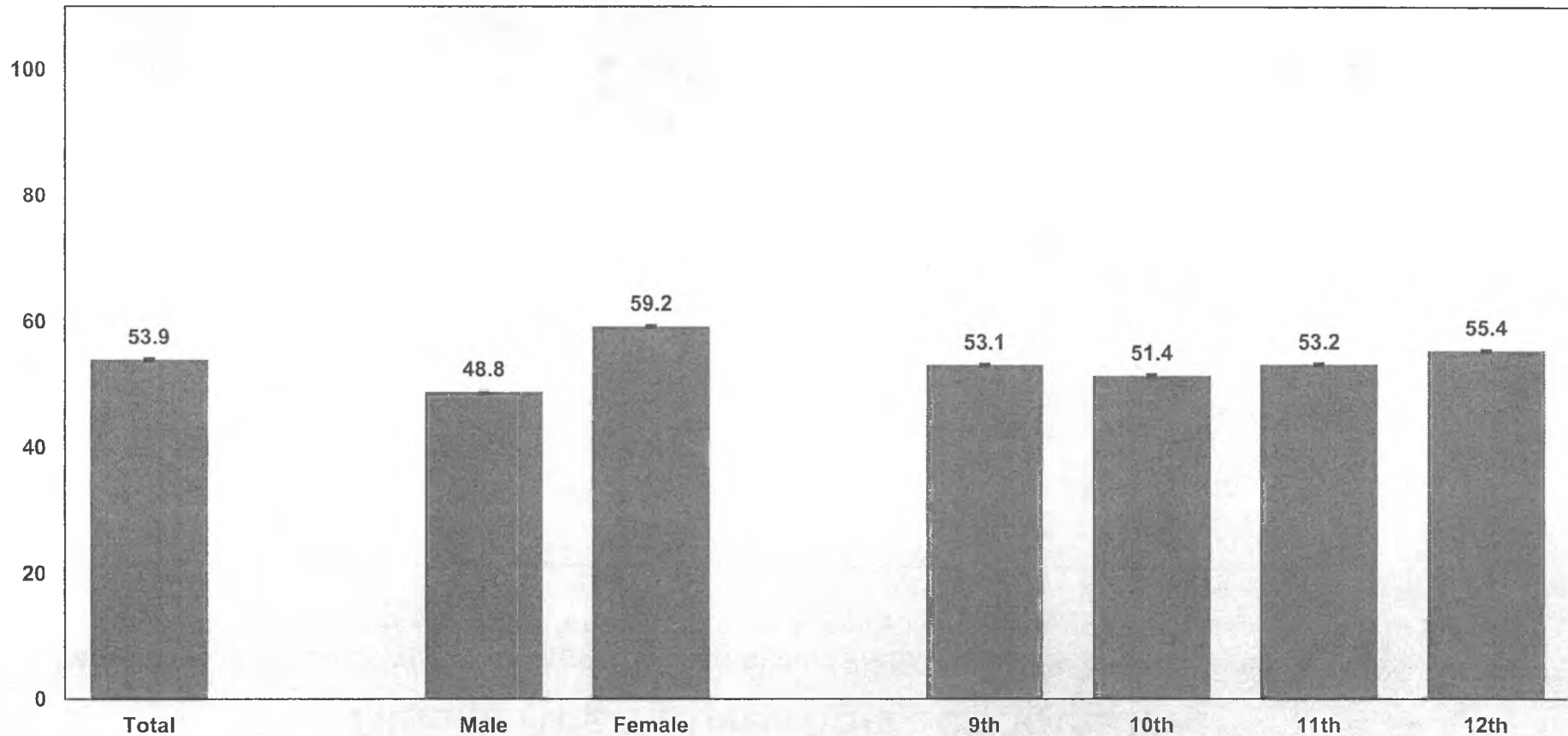
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who think people greatly risk harming themselves (physically or in other ways), if they smoke one or more packs of cigarettes per day



Q89 - Weighted Data

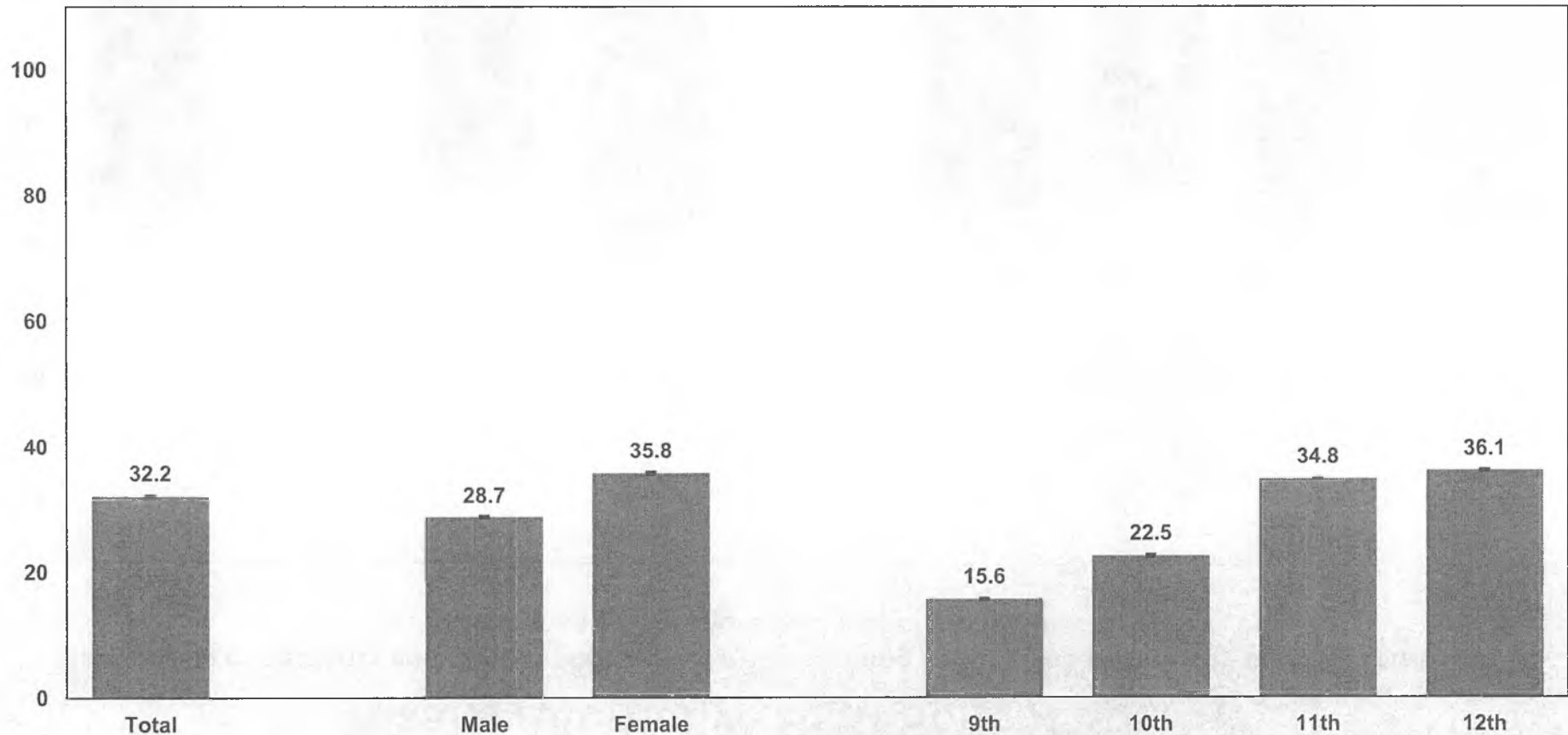
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who usually got the alcohol they drank during the past 30 days from someone else whom they gave money to buy it for them or from a family member or someone else giving it to them



Q90 - Weighted Data

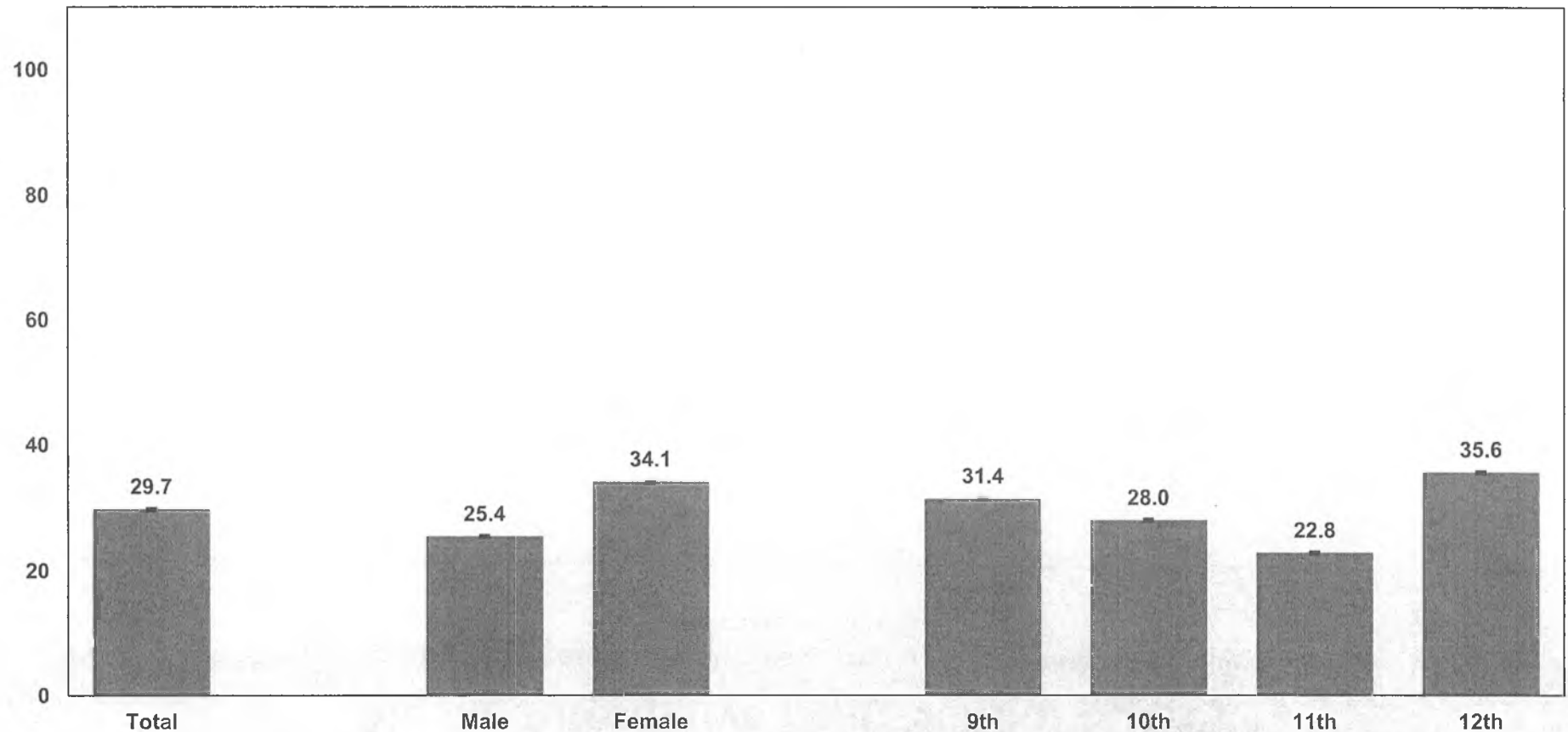
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who think people greatly risk harming themselves (physically or in other ways) if they have one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day



Q91 - Weighted Data

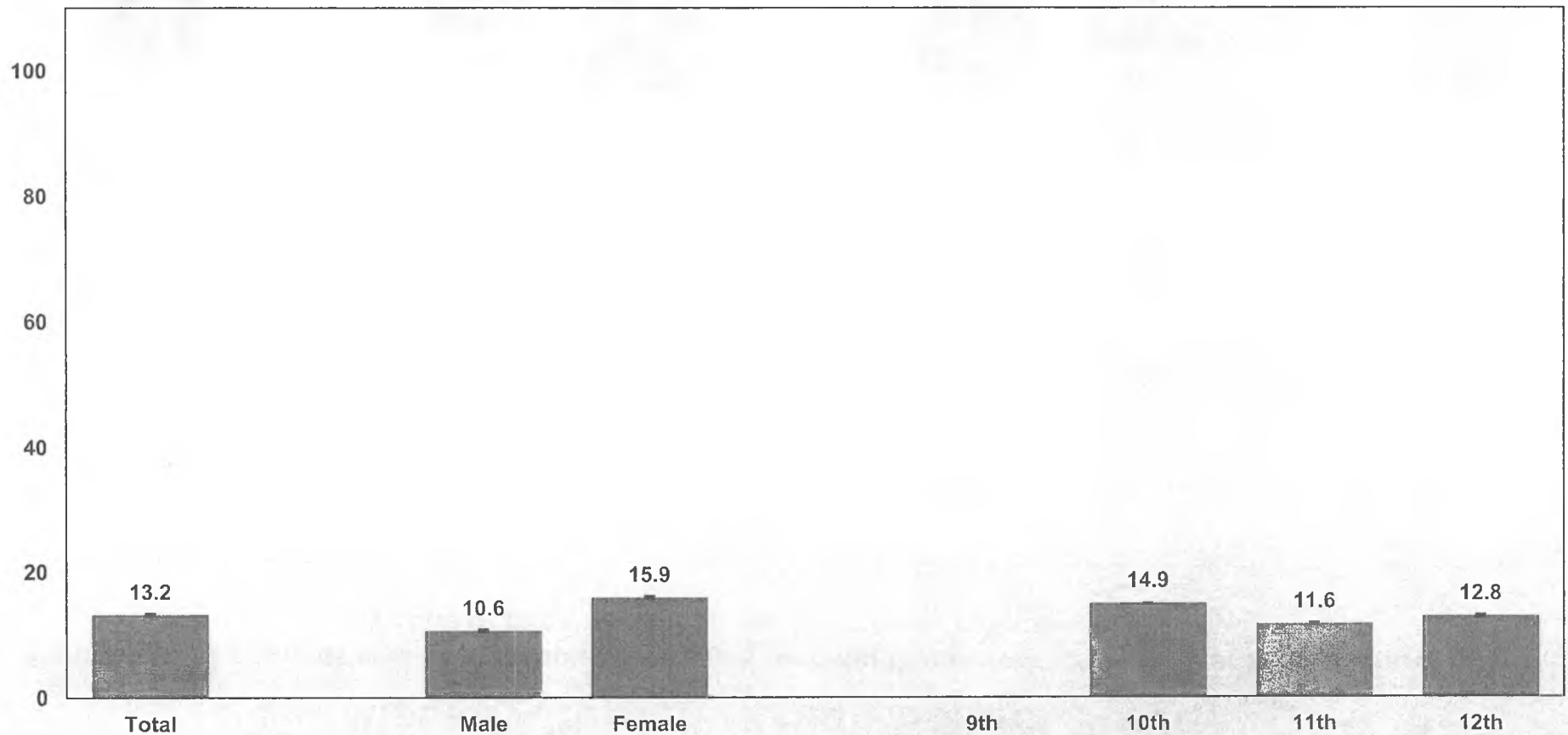
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who think people greatly risk harming themselves (physically or in other ways), if they use marijuana regularly



Q92 - Weighted Data

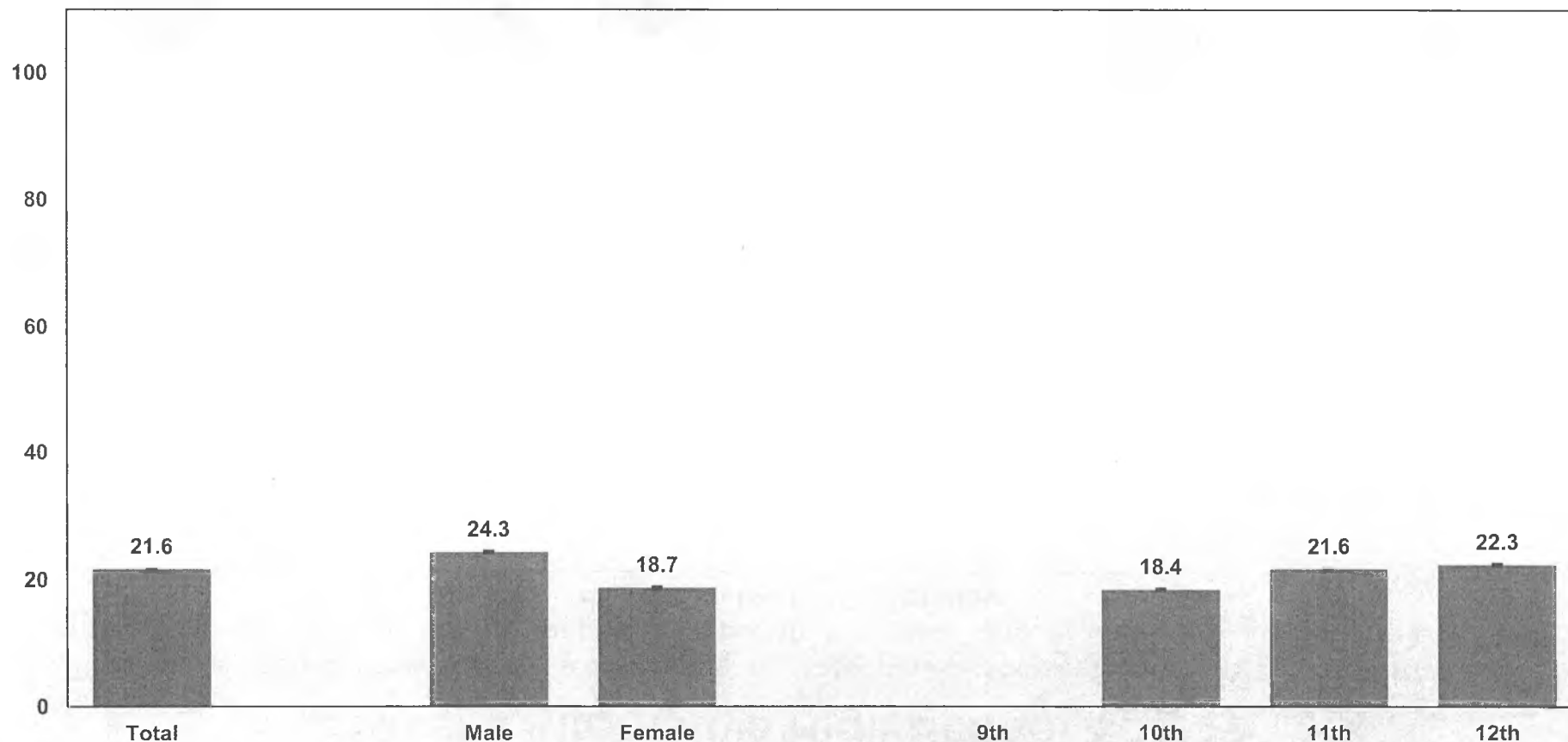
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who took a prescription drug without a doctor's prescription one or more times during the past 30 days



Q93 - Weighted Data

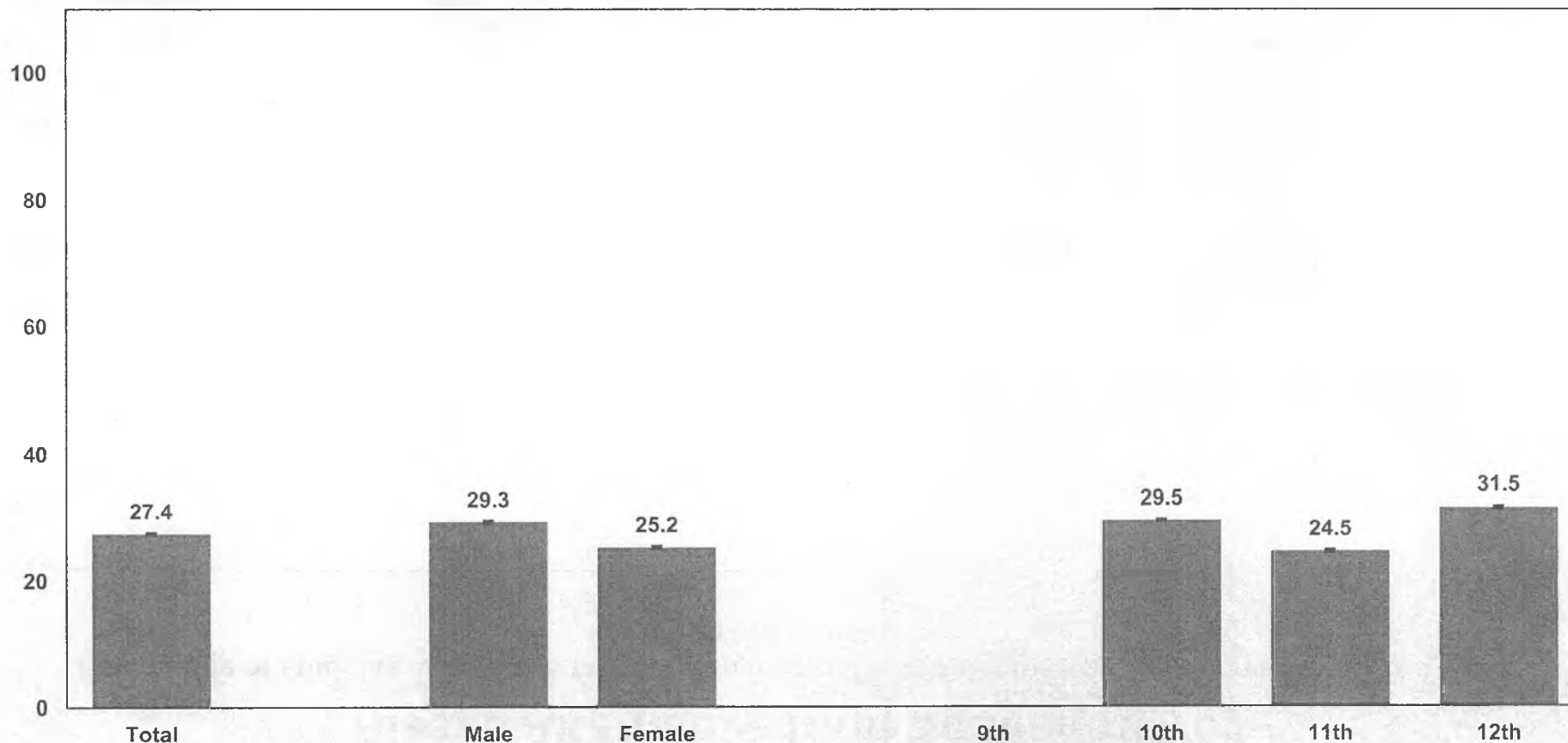
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who drank a can, bottle, or glass of a sugar-sweetened beverage such as sports drinks, sweetened energy drinks, Snapple, fruit punch, Kool-Aid, Tang, or Capri-Sun one or more times per day during the past seven days



Q94 - Weighted Data

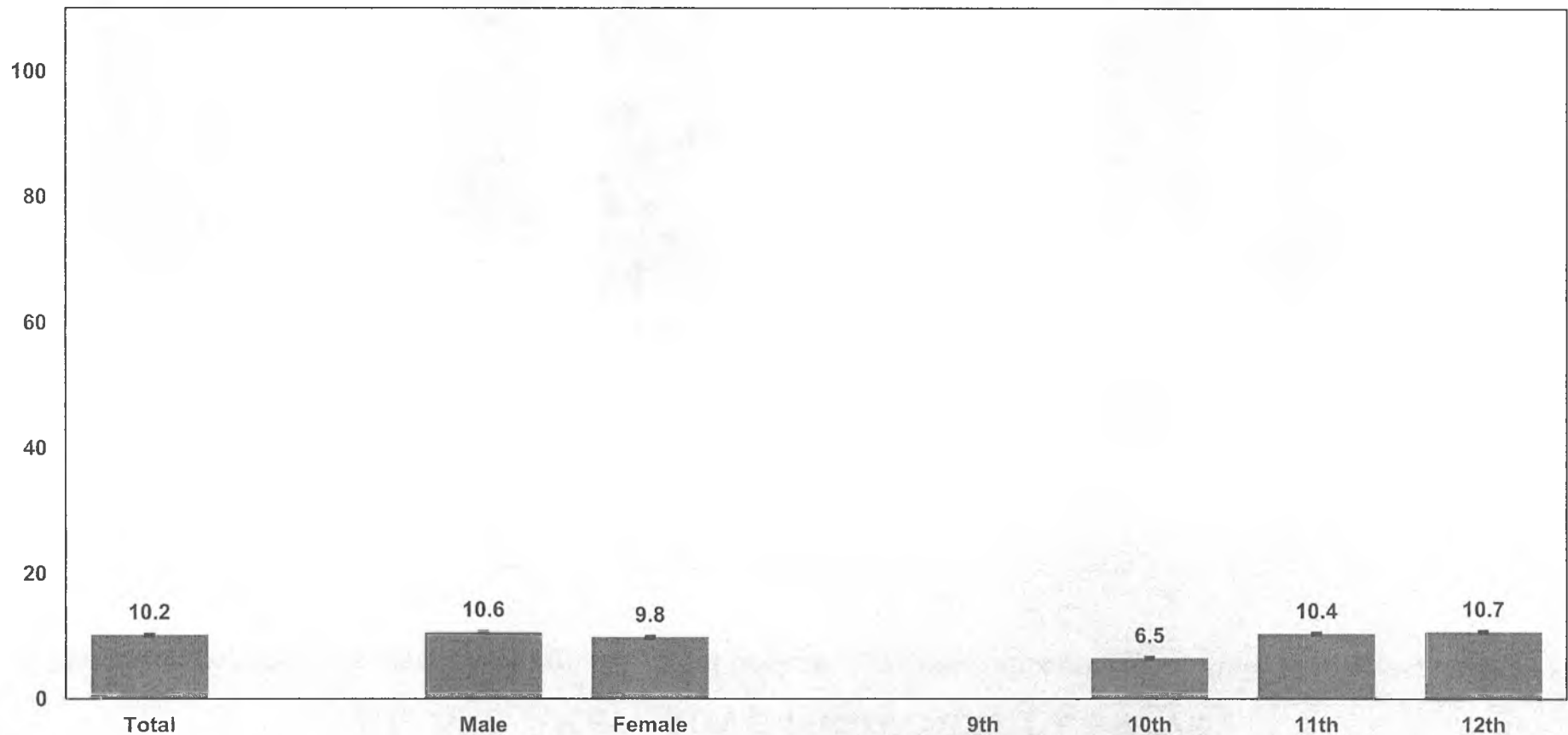
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who spend no more than 20 minutes actually exercising or playing sports during an average physical education (PE) class



Q95 - Weighted Data

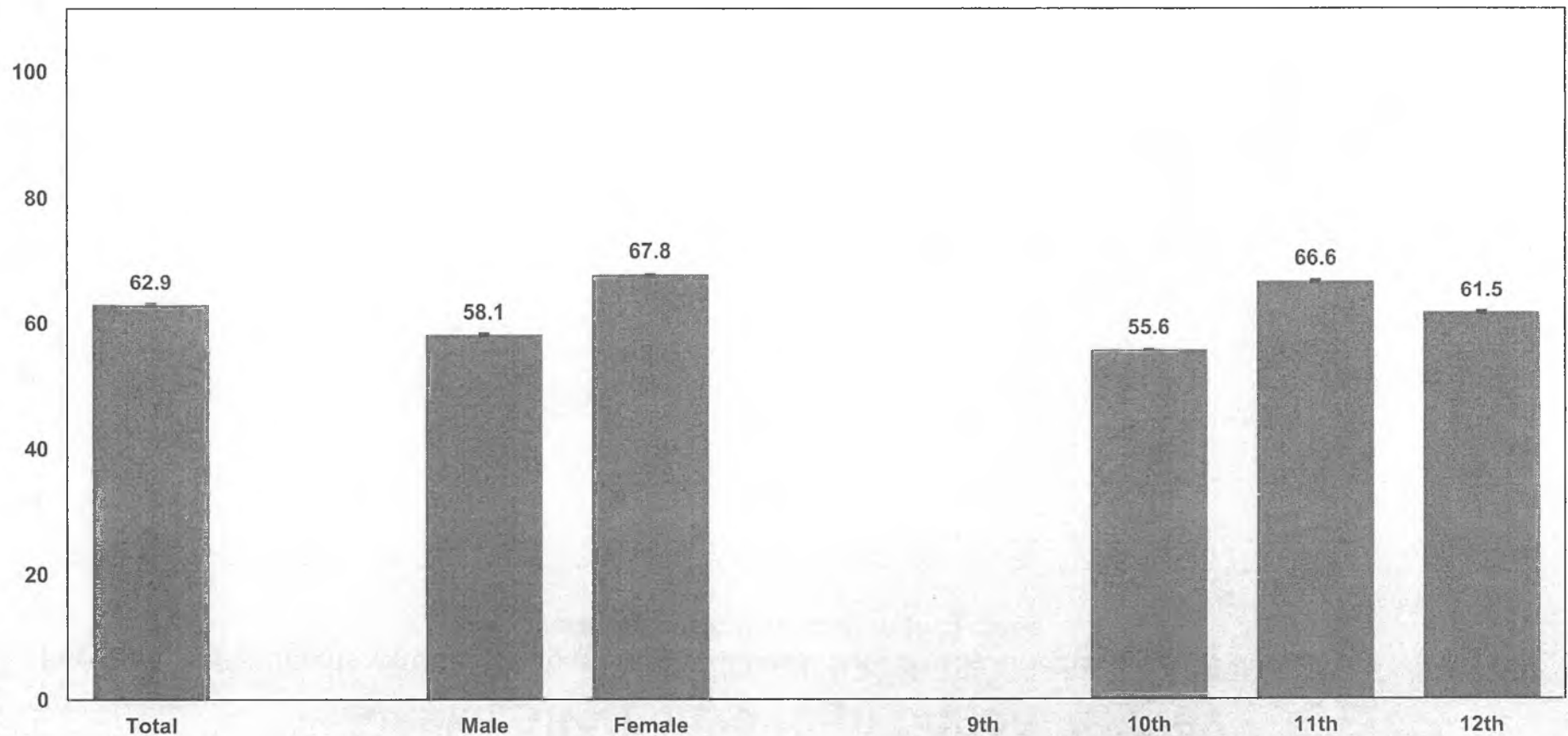
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who did not go to school because they were sick on one or more of the past 30 days



Q96 - Weighted Data

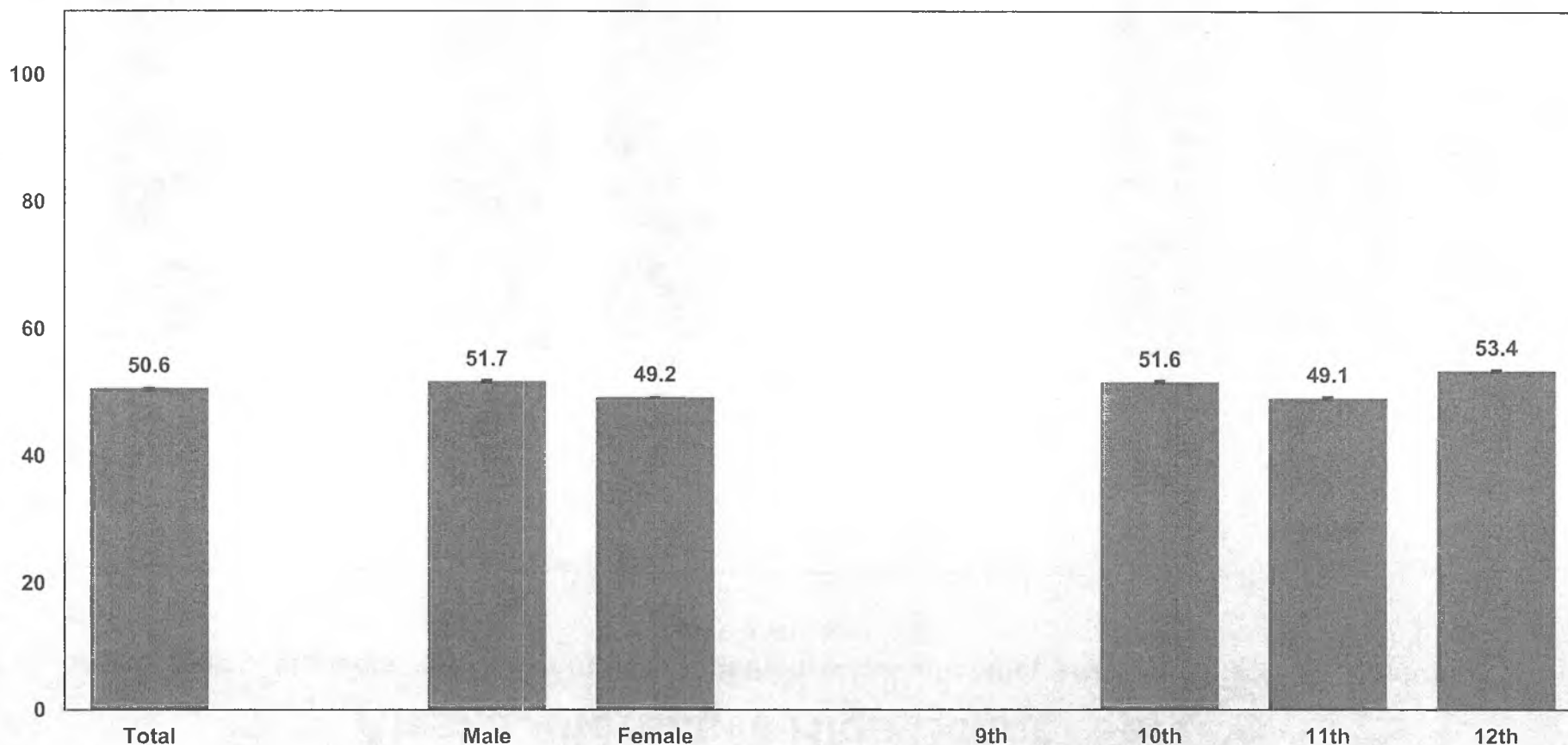
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who missed classes or school without permission on one or more of the past 30 days



Q97 - Weighted Data

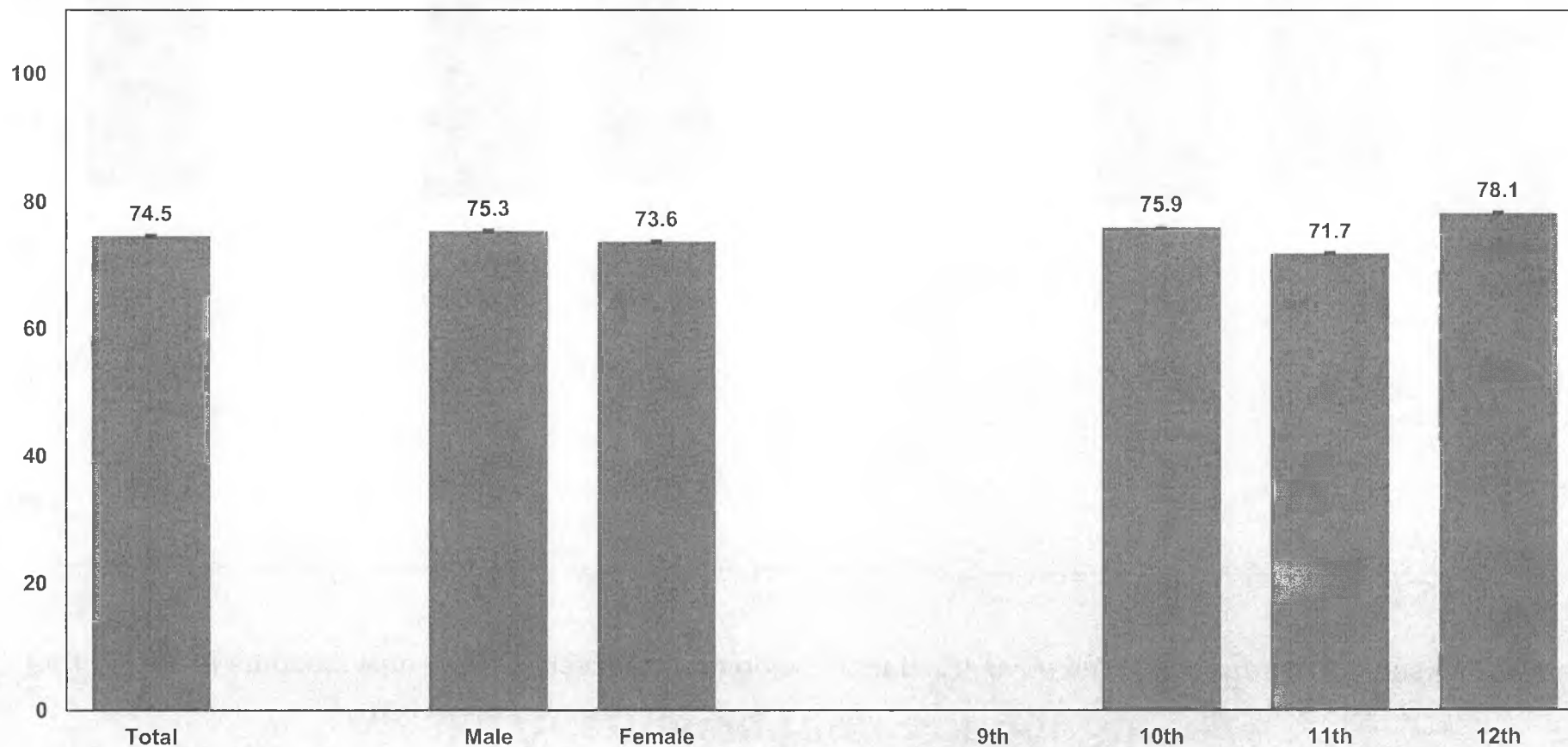
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students whose parent talks with them about what they are doing in school about once or twice a week or less



Q98 - Weighted Data

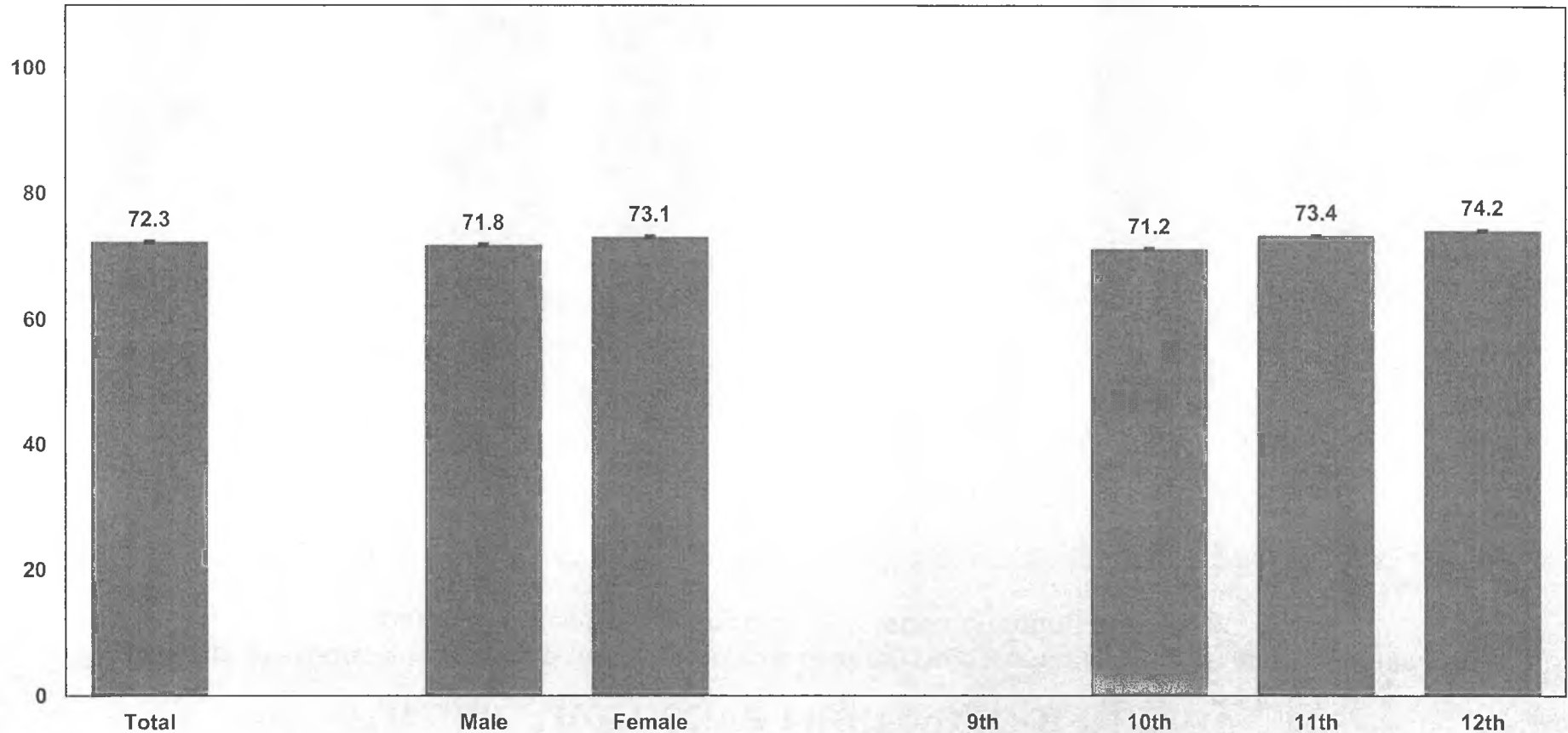
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who strongly agree or agree that their teachers really care about them and give them a lot of encouragement



Q99 - Weighted Data

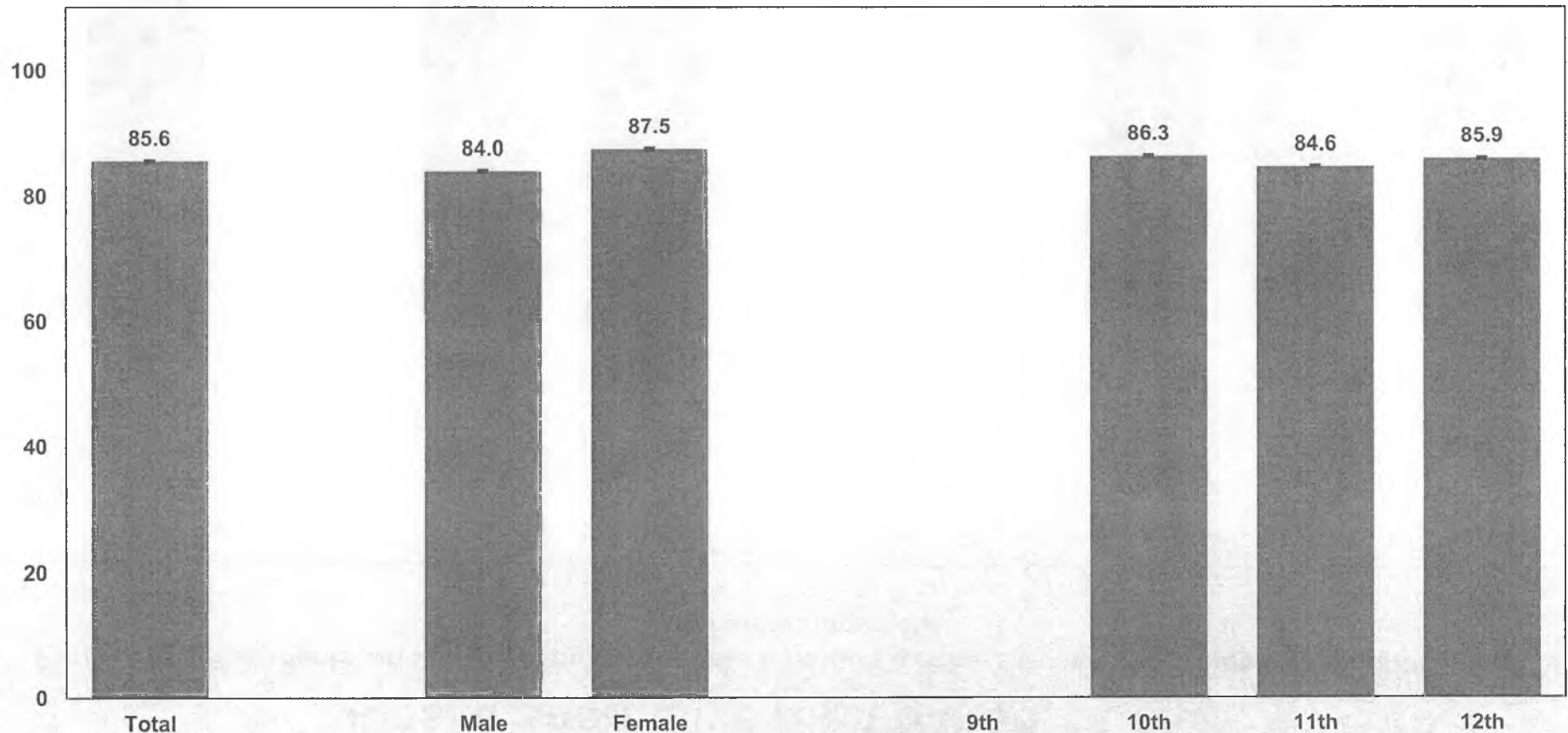
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who would feel comfortable seeking help from one or more adults besides their parents if they had an important question affecting their life



Q100 - Weighted Data

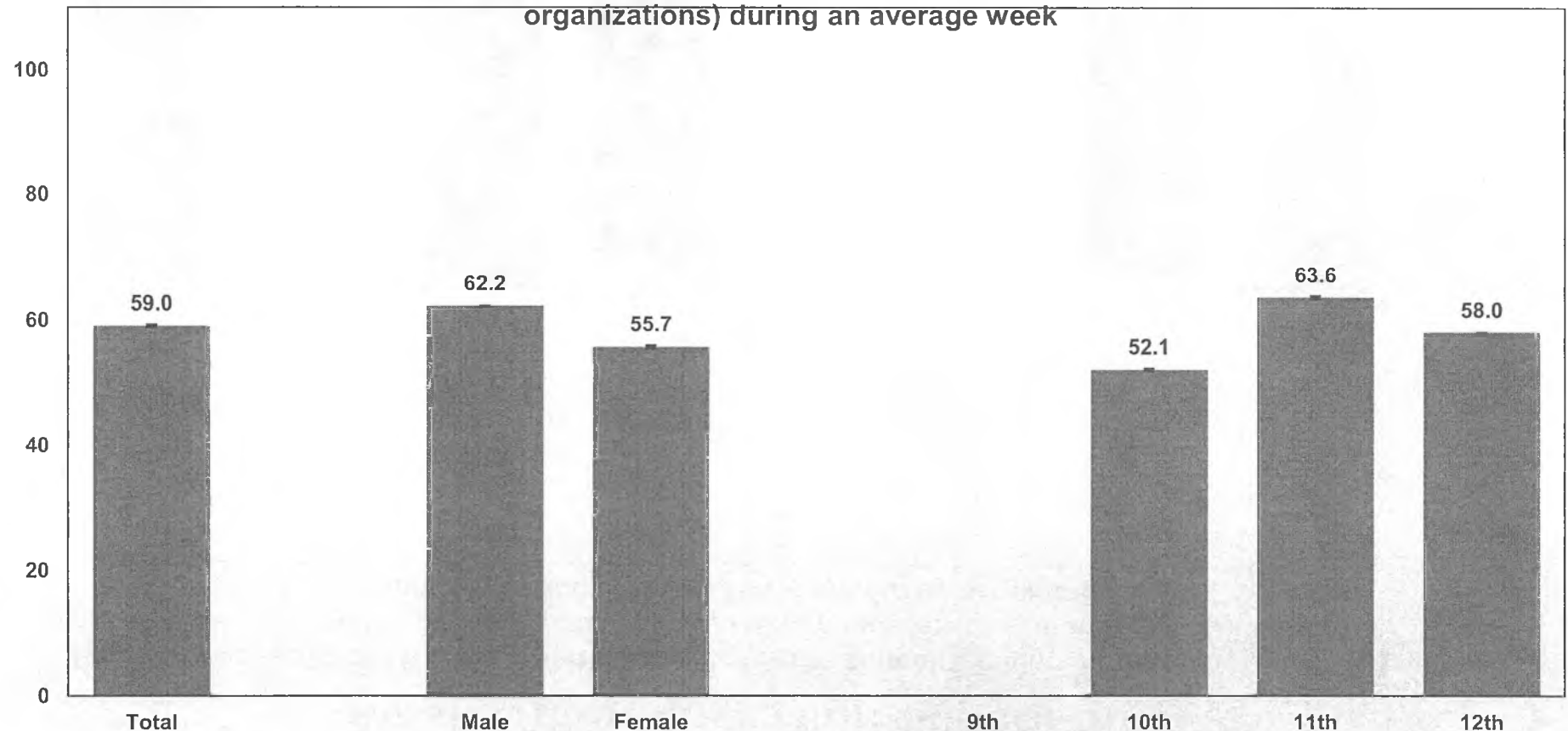
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who spend zero hours helping or volunteering at school or in the community (such as helping elders or neighbors; watching young children; teaching or tutoring; peer helping; mentoring; or helping out at local programs, health clinics, faith organizations, tribal organizations, or environmental organizations) during an average week



Q101 - Weighted Data

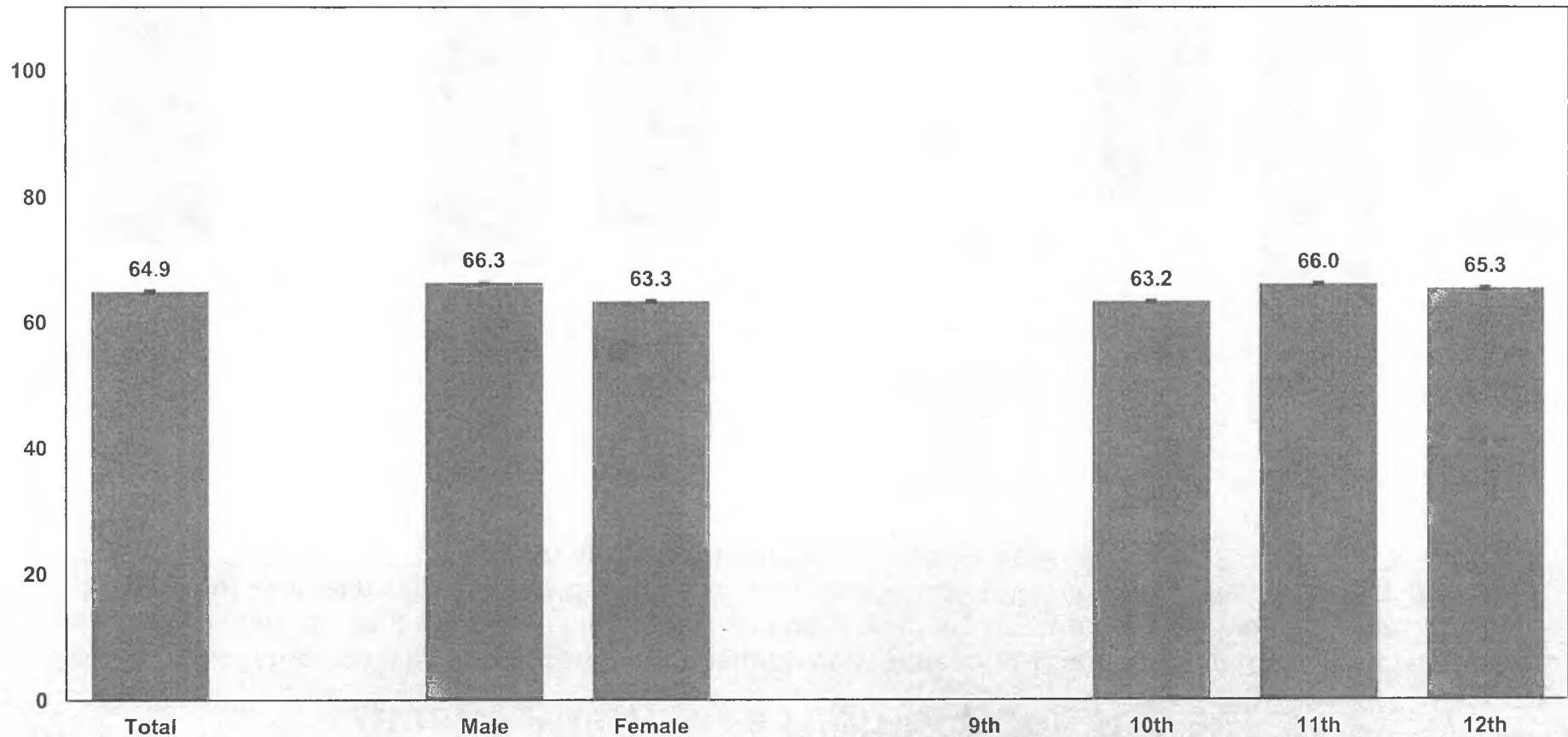
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who take part in organized after school, evening, or weekend activities (such as school clubs; community center groups; music, art, or dance lessons; drama; church; or cultural or other supervised activities) on zero days during an average week



Q102 - Weighted Data

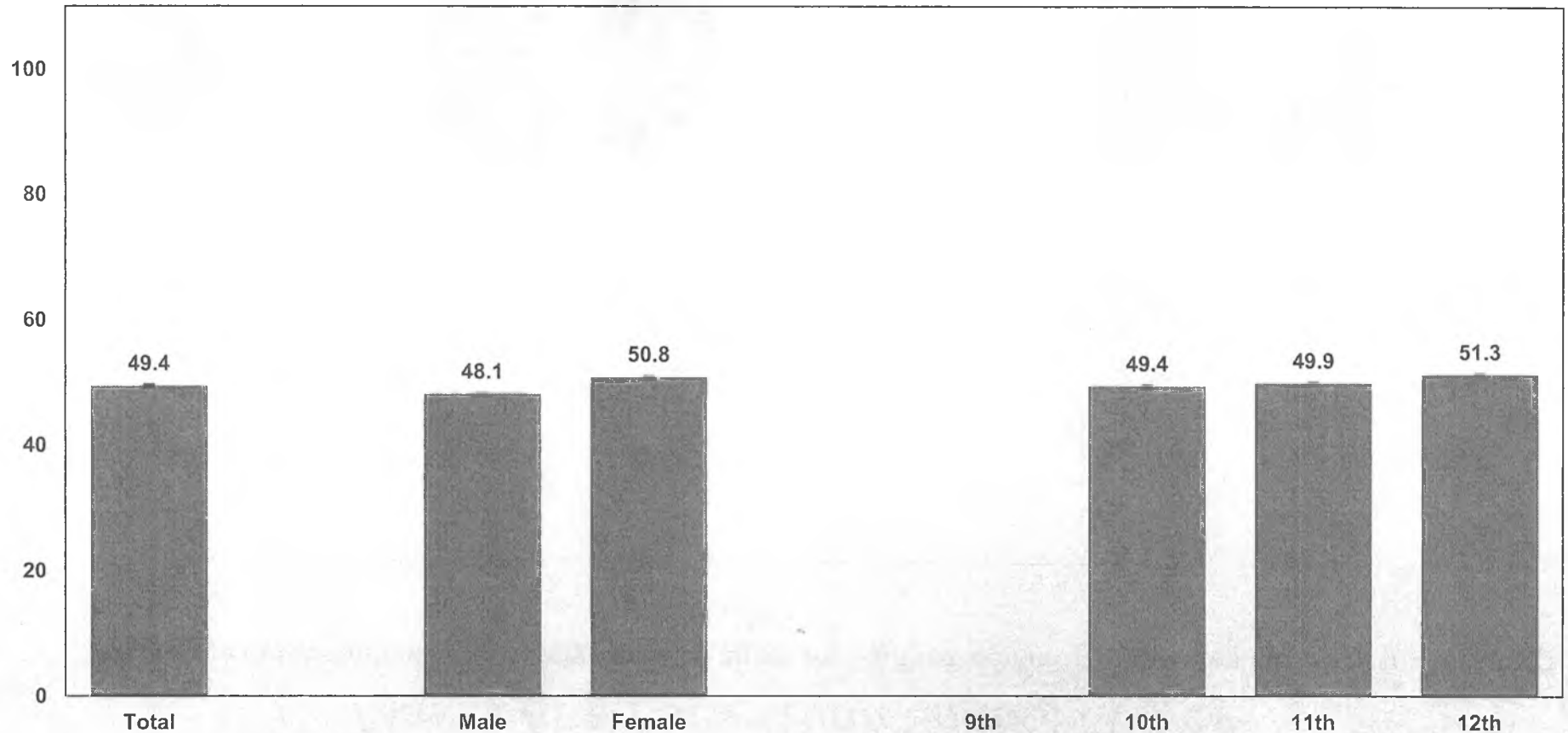
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who disagree or strongly disagree that they feel alone in their life



Q103 - Weighted Data

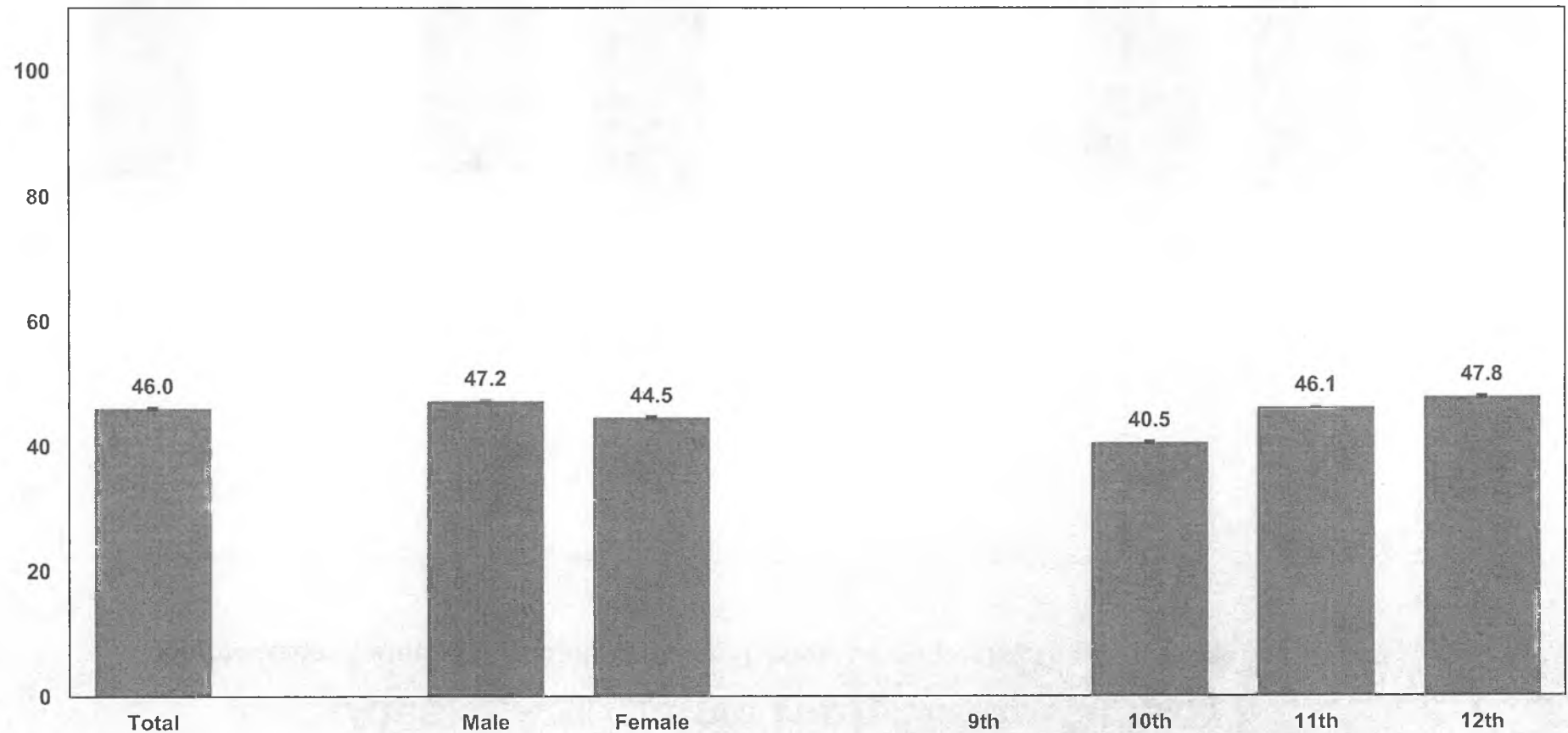
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who strongly agree or agree that in their community they feel like they matter to people



Q104 - Weighted Data

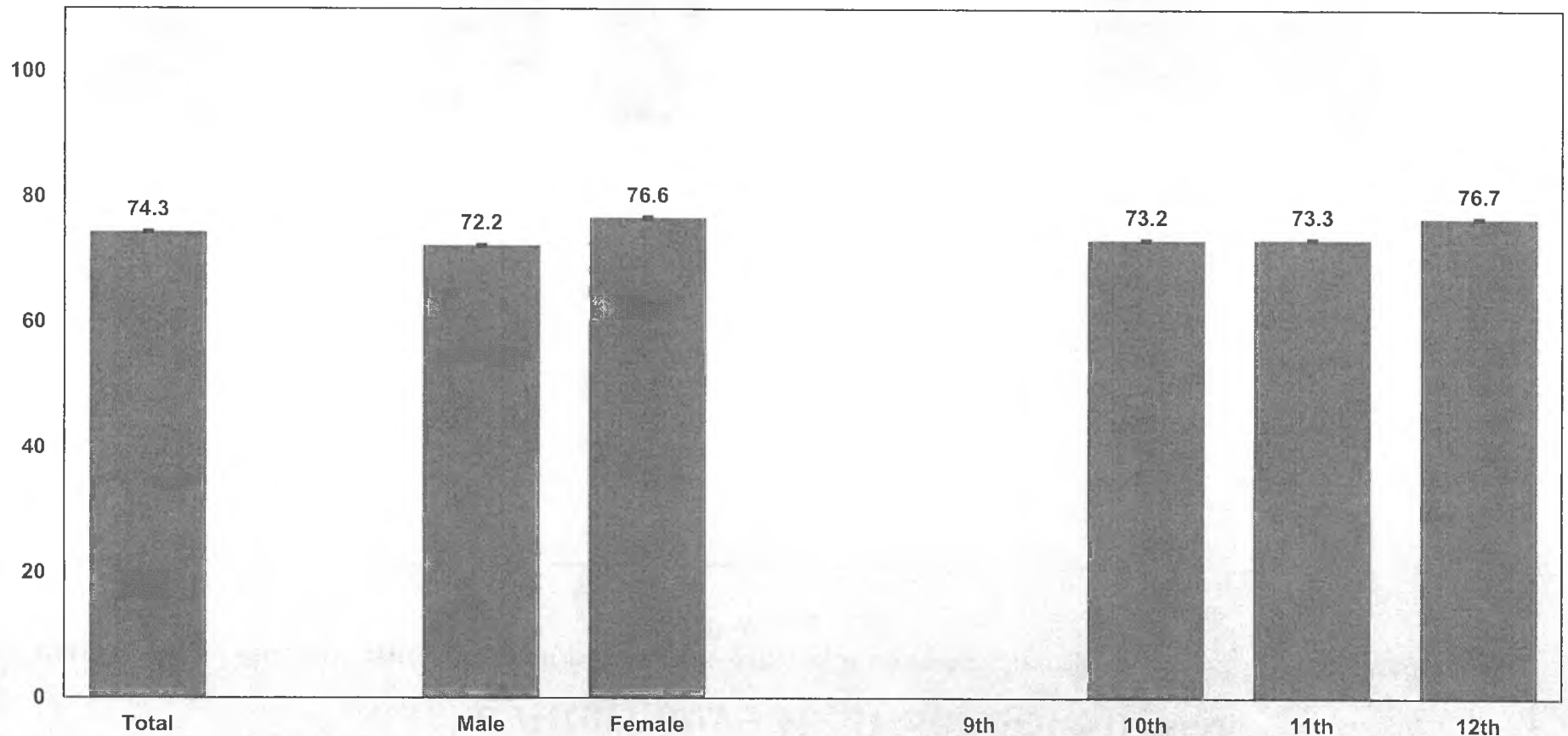
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who strongly agree or agree that their school has clear rules and consequences for behavior



Q105 - Weighted Data

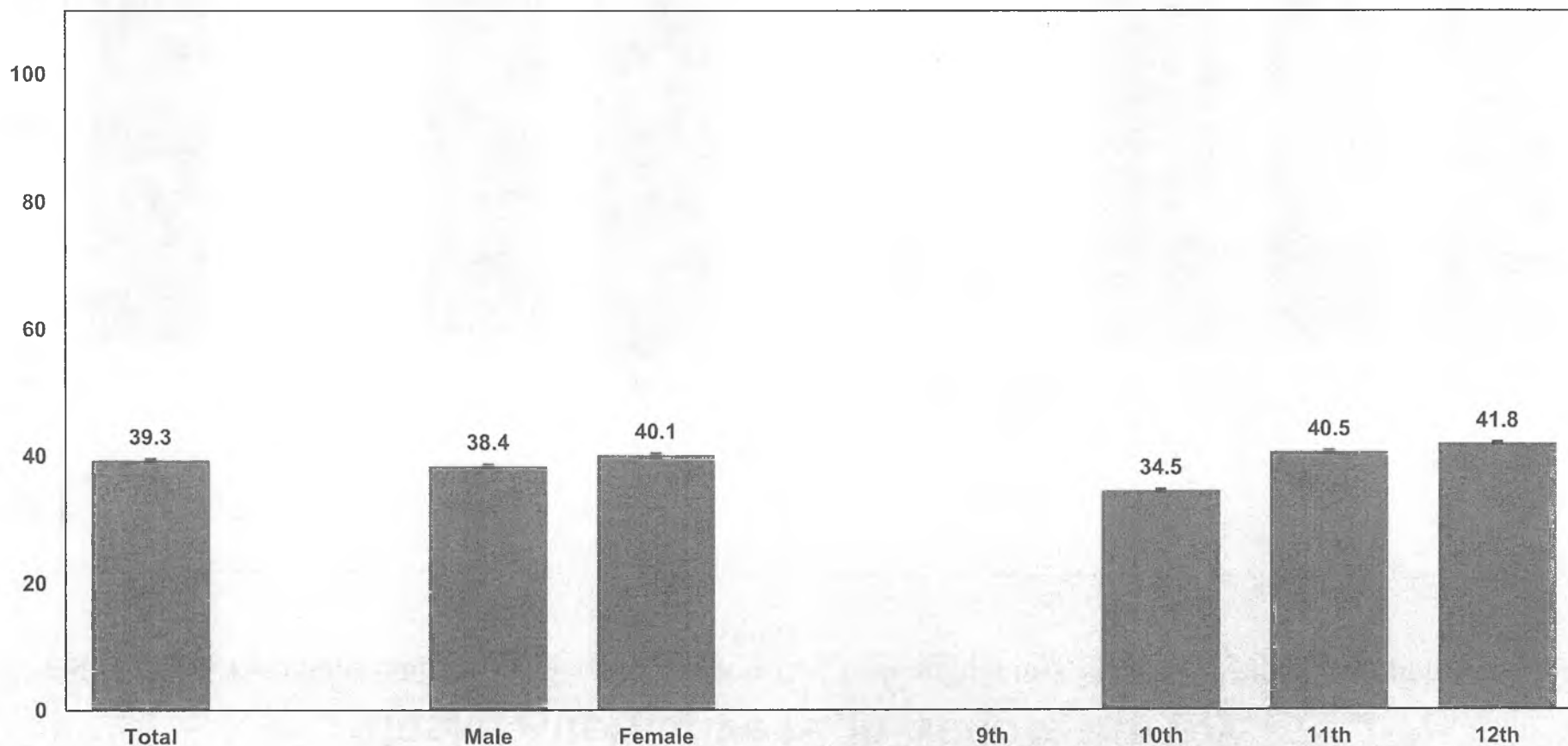
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who said their parents feel their child smoking marijuana is either a little bit wrong or not wrong at all



Q106 - Weighted Data

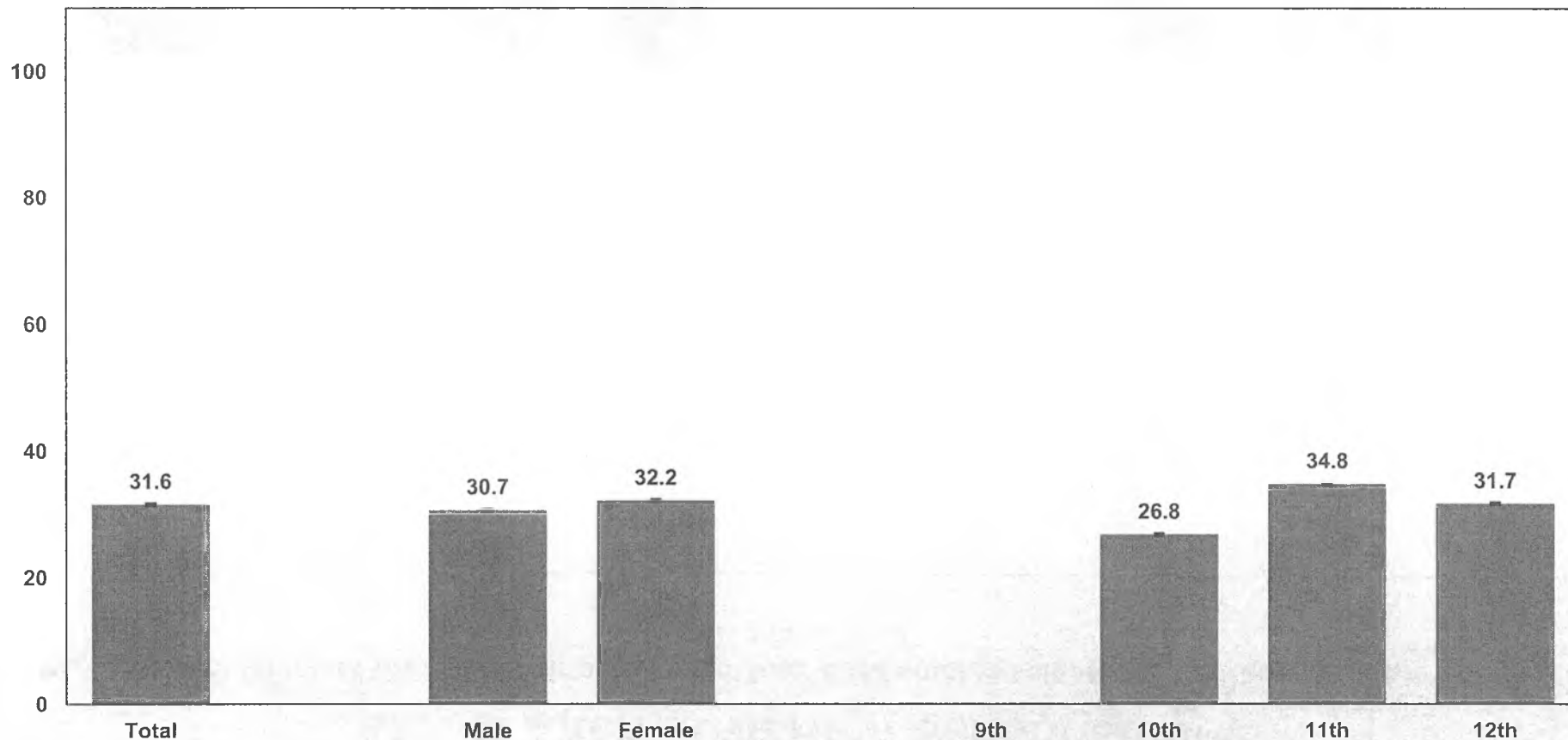
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who said their parents feel their child drinking alcohol regularly is either a little bit wrong or not wrong at all



Q107 - Weighted Data

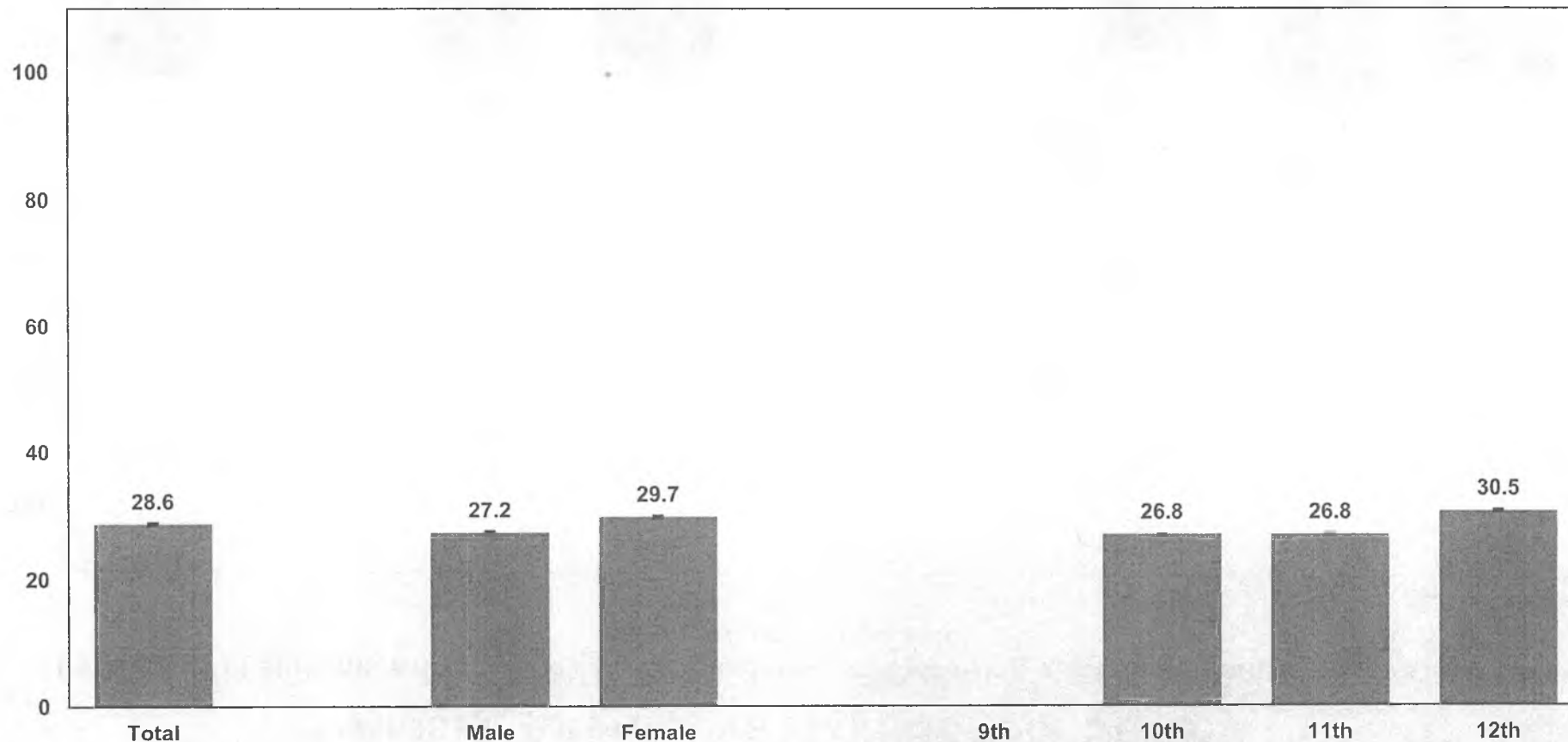
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who said their parents feel their child smoking cigarettes is either a little bit wrong or not wrong at all



Q108 - Weighted Data

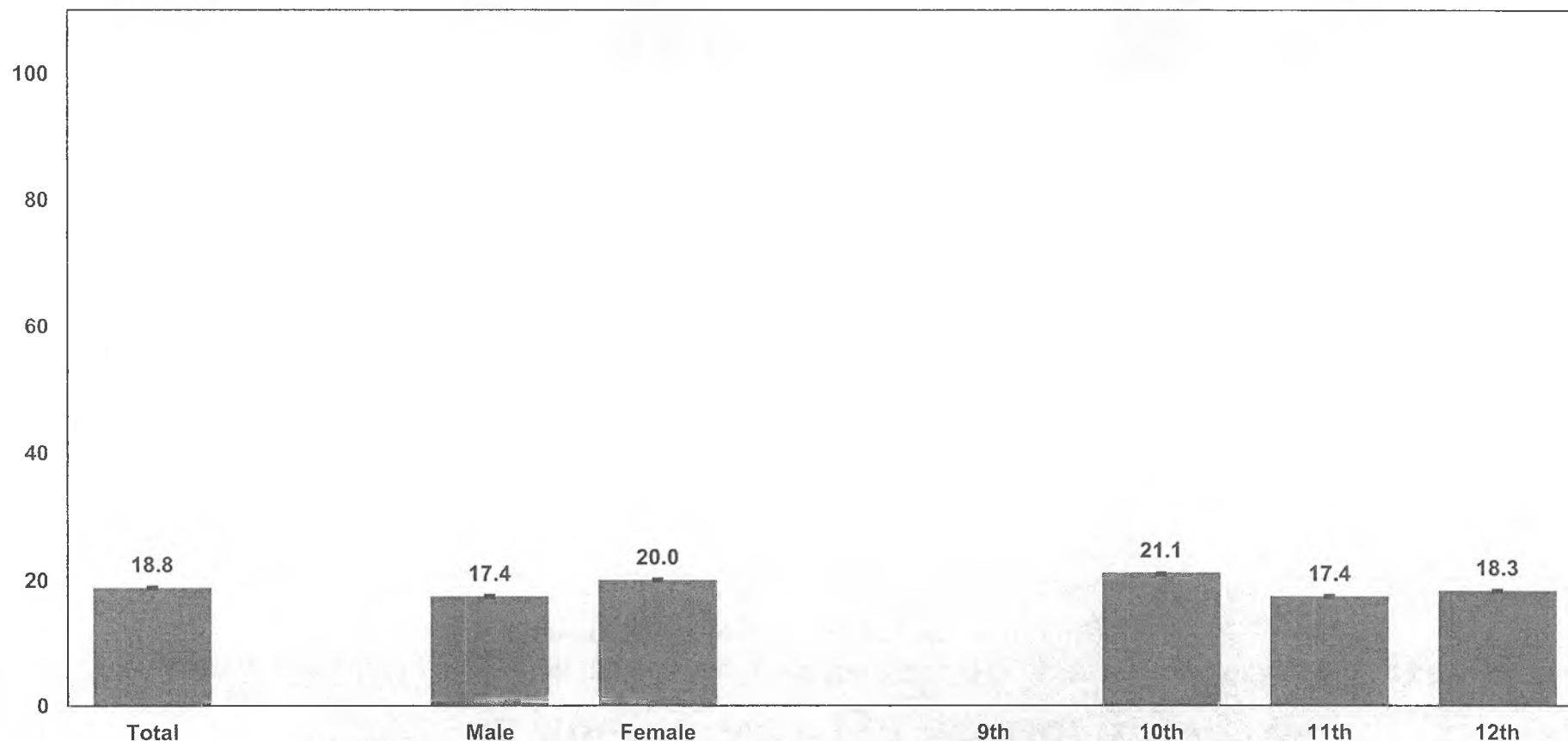
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who think there is a chance they would be seen as cool for smoking cigarettes



Q109 - Weighted Data

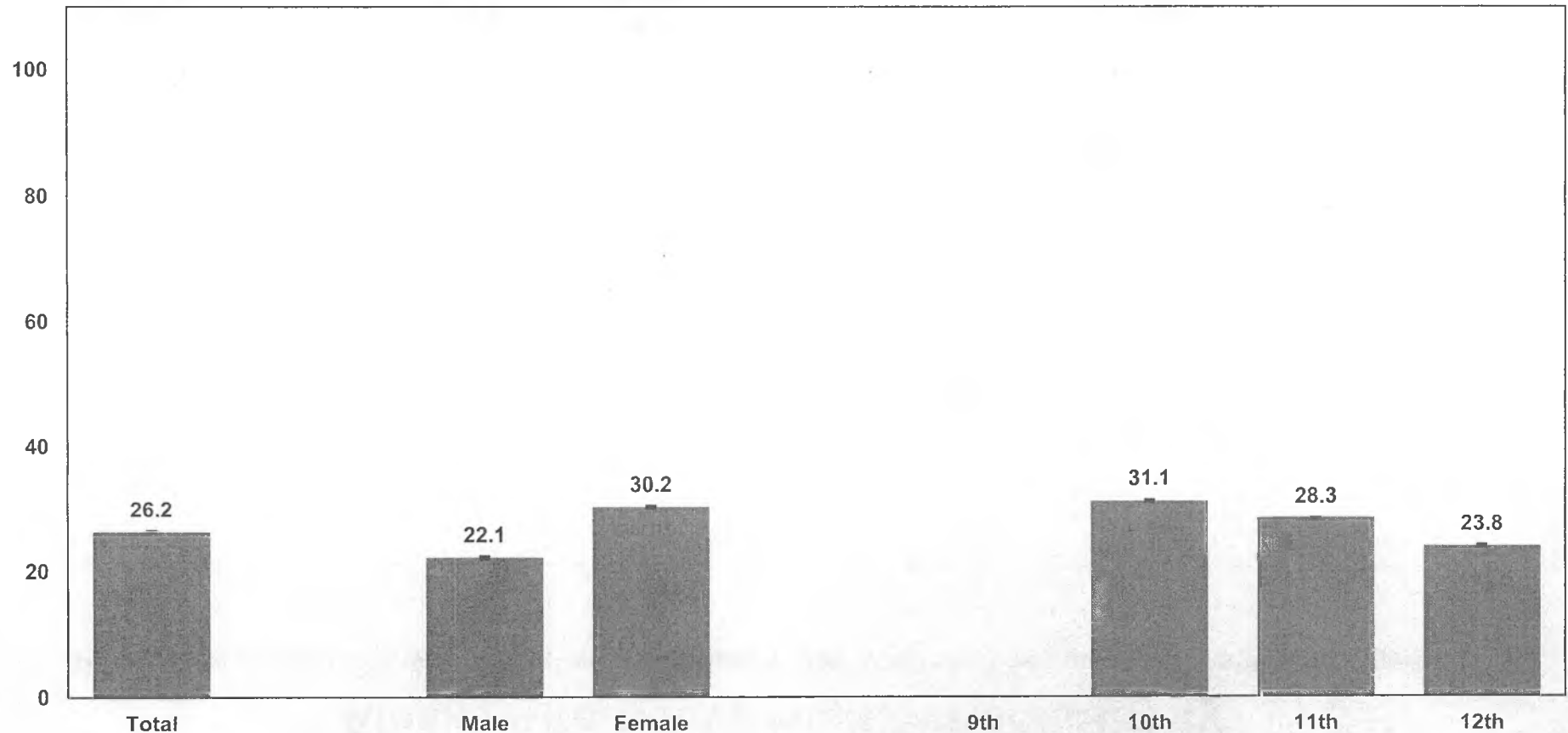
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2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Results

Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who think there is a chance they would be seen as cool for drinking alcoholic beverages at least once or twice a month



Q110 - Weighted Data

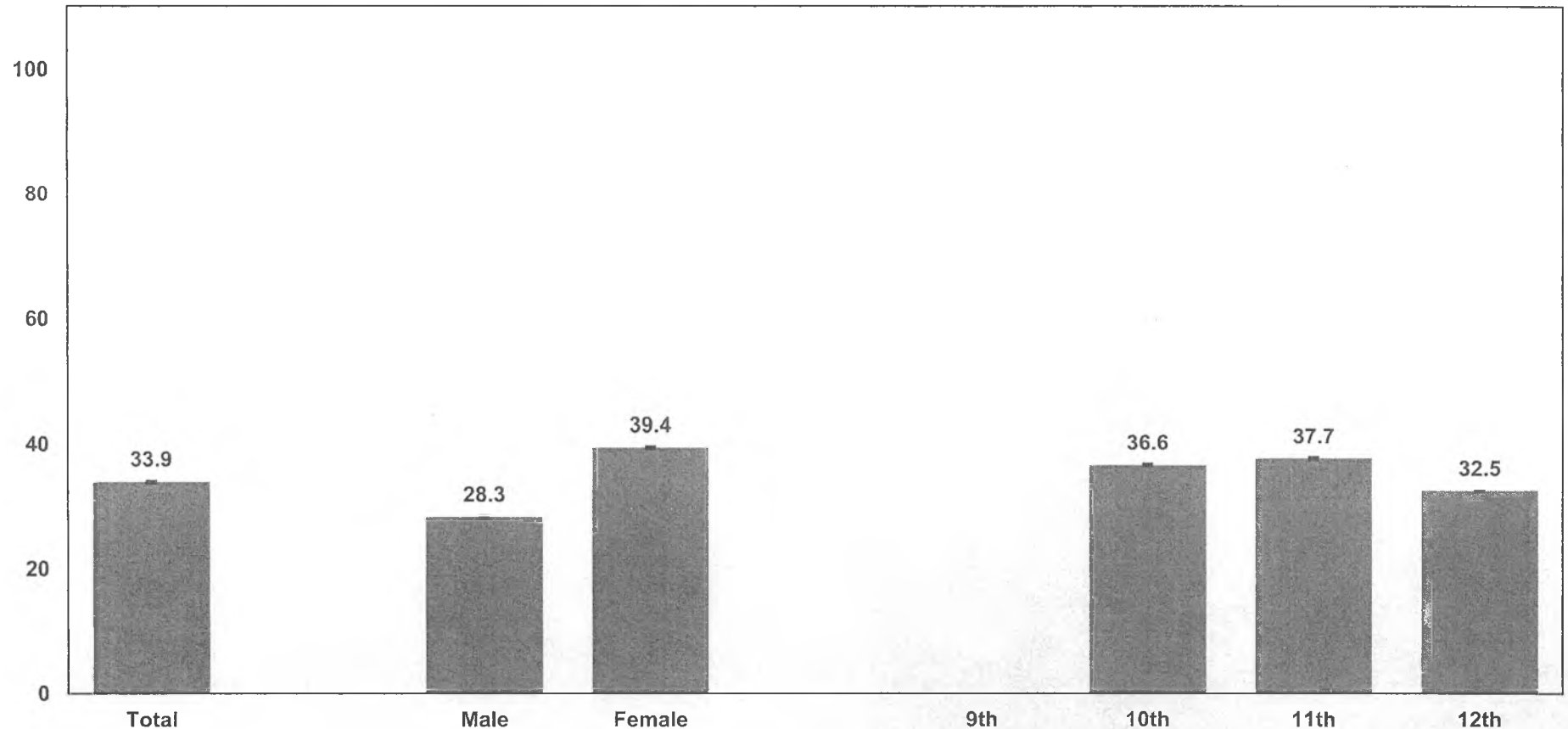
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Alaska Alternative High School Survey

Percentage of students who think there is a chance they would be seen as cool for smoking marijuana



Q111 - Weighted Data

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