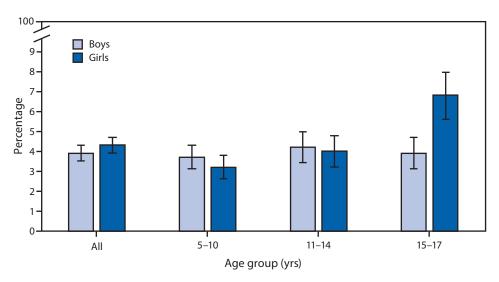
## FROM THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR HEALTH STATISTICS

## Percentage\* of Children and Teens Aged 5–17 Years Who Missed >10 School Days in the Past 12 Months Because of Illness or Injury,<sup>†</sup> by Sex and Age — National Health Interview Survey, 2013–2015<sup>§</sup>



\* With 95% confidence intervals indicated with error bars.

<sup>†</sup> Number of missed school days was based on the following question: "During the past 12 months about how many days did (child) miss school because of illness or injury?" Children who did not attend school were excluded. <sup>§</sup> Estimates are based on household interviews of a sample of the noninstitutionalized U.S. civilian population

and are derived from the National Health Interview Survey Sample Child component.

During 2013–2015, 3.9% of boys and 4.3% of girls missed >10 school days in the past 12 months because of illness or injury. Among children aged 15–17 years, girls were more likely than boys to miss >10 school days (6.8% compared with 3.9%). Among girls, those aged 15–17 years were more likely than girls aged 5–10 years and girls aged 11–14 years to miss >10 school days (6.8% compared with 3.2% and 4.0%, respectively). Among boys, there was no difference by age.

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