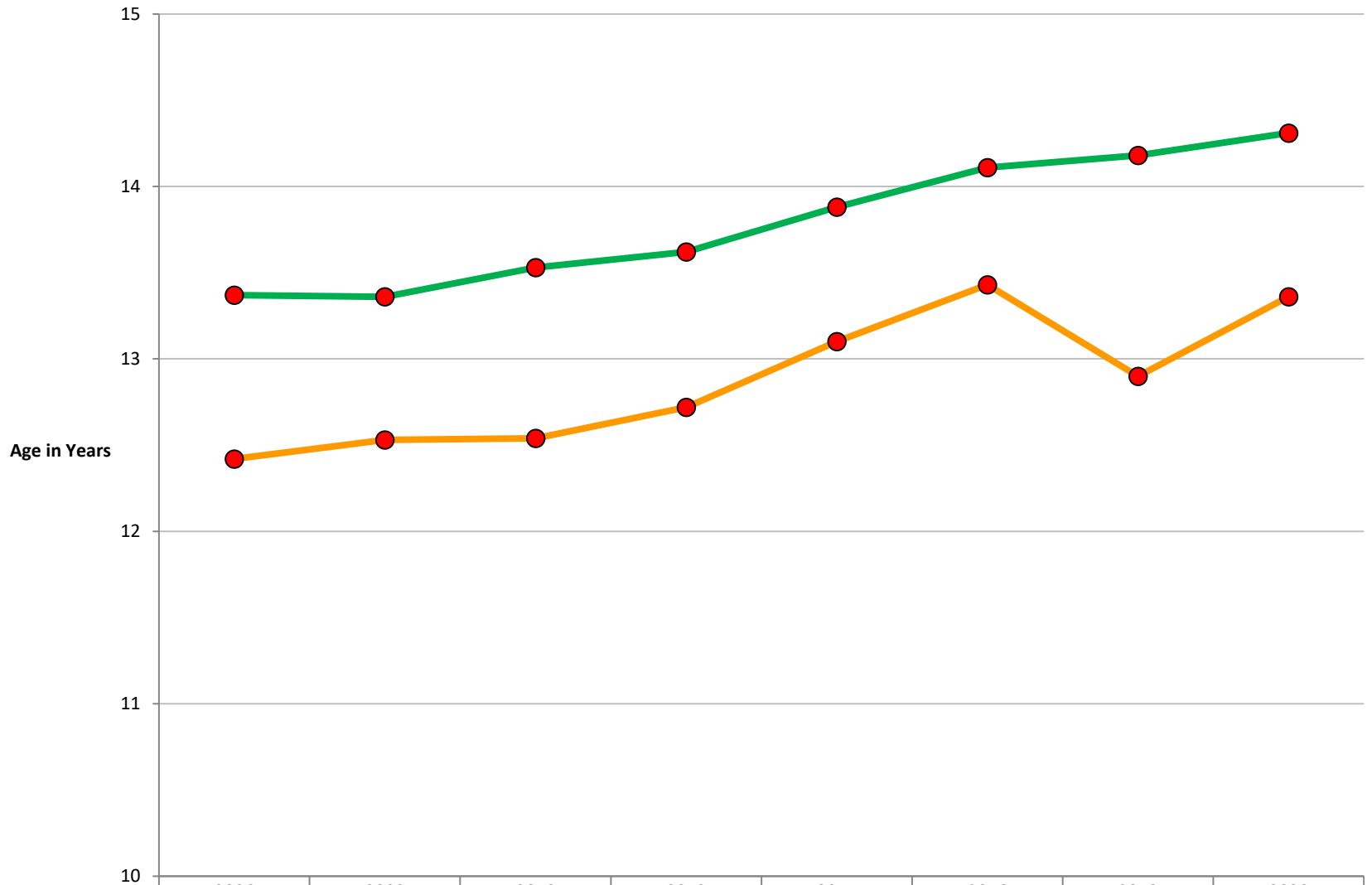


### Average Age of First Use of Alcohol and Marijuana among Missouri Youth



	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2020
Alcohol - Missouri Grades 6-12	12.42	12.53	12.54	12.72	13.10	13.43	12.90	13.36
Marijuana - Missouri Grades 6-12	13.37	13.36	13.53	13.62	13.88	14.11	14.18	14.31

**Title** Average Age of First Use of Alcohol and Marijuana among Missouri Youth  
**Definition** Among Missouri youth who have ever used alcohol or marijuana, average age of first-time use  
**Methodology** Biennial survey of Missouri secondary school students in grades 6-12.  
**Data Source** Missouri Student Survey, Missouri Institute of Mental Health & Missouri Department of Mental Health  
**Data Note** Apparent year-to-year changes in estimates might be statistically insignificant due to survey sampling.