

Table 4.12A Past Year Initiation of Substance Use among Persons Aged 12 to 49, by Gender: Numbers in Thousands, 2004 and 2005

Substance	NUMBER OF PAST YEAR INITIATES (1,000s) ¹					
	Total		Male		Female	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
ILLICIT DRUGS²	2,638	2,709	1,158	1,231	1,480	1,478
Marijuana and Hashish	2,092	1,984	918	932	1,174	1,052
Cocaine	998	859	590 ^a	458	408	401
Crack	215	230	102	104	112	126
Heroin	118	108	61	58	56	50
Hallucinogens	934	953	506	555	427	398
LSD	235	243	141	176	94	67
PCP	106	77	55	38	51	39
Ecstasy	607	613	336	343	271	270
Inhalants	857	877	434	439	422	437
Nonmedical Use of Psychotherapeutics ³	2,612 ^a	2,332	1,121	995	1,492	1,337
Pain Relievers	2,244	2,033	1,028	894	1,217	1,139
OxyContin [®]	583	478	308	254	276	223
Tranquilizers	1,151	1,234	452	545	699	689
Stimulants	729	647	292	265	436	382
Methamphetamine	302 ^b	192	142	97	160 ^a	95
Sedatives	196	179	79	71	116	108
ILLICIT DRUGS OTHER THAN MARIJUANA²	2,531	2,617	1,205	1,180	1,326	1,437
CIGARETTES	2,122	2,282	973	1,101	1,150	1,181
Daily Cigarette Use ⁴	1,101	965	594	508	507	457
SMOKELESS TOBACCO	977 ^a	1,130	710 ^a	842	267	288
CIGARS	2,965	3,254	1,545	1,719	1,419	1,535
ALCOHOL	4,296	4,229	1,960	1,972	2,336	2,257

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

^a Difference between estimate and 2005 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

^b Difference between estimate and 2005 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.01 level.

¹ Past Year Initiates are defined as persons who used the substance(s) for the first time in the 12 months prior to date of interview.

² Illicit Drugs include marijuana/hashish, cocaine (including crack), heroin, hallucinogens, inhalants, or prescription-type psychotherapeutics used nonmedically. Illicit Drugs Other Than Marijuana include cocaine (including crack), heroin, hallucinogens, inhalants, or prescription-type psychotherapeutics used nonmedically.

³ Nonmedical use of prescription-type psychotherapeutics includes the nonmedical use of pain relievers, tranquilizers, stimulants, or sedatives and does not include over-the-counter drugs.

⁴ Daily Cigarette Use is defined as ever smoking every day for at least 30 days.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2004 and 2005.