

Table 4.9A Past Year Initiation of Substance Use among Persons Aged 12 or Older, by Gender: Numbers in Thousands, 2006 and 2007

Substance	NUMBER OF PAST YEAR INITIATES (1,000s) ¹					
	Total		Male		Female	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
ILLCIT DRUGS^{2,3}	2,789	2,670	1,305	1,225	1,483	1,445
Marijuana and Hashish	2,063	2,090	976	1,037	1,087	1,053
Cocaine	977	906	510	538	467 ^a	368
Crack	245	352	142	253	102	99
Heroin	91	106	55	72	36	34
Hallucinogens	1,116	1,064	501	609	615 ^a	454
LSD	264	270	143	182	121	89
PCP	69	58	31	37	38	22
Ecstasy	860	781	380	446	480 ^a	336
Inhalants	783	775	388	429	395	346
Nonmedical Use of Psychotherapeutics ^{3,4}	2,576	2,532	1,115	1,133	1,461	1,399
Pain Relievers	2,150	2,147	1,015	1,032	1,134	1,115
OxyContin [®]	533	554	279	259	254	295
Tranquilizers	1,112	1,232	450	495	662	736
Stimulants ³	845 ^a	642	287	218	558	423
Sedatives	267	198	68	79	199	120
ILLCIT DRUGS OTHER THAN MARIJUANA^{2,3}	2,719	2,563	1,263	1,222	1,456	1,341
CIGARETTES	2,449 ^a	2,231	1,201	1,100	1,249	1,131
Daily Cigarette Use ⁵	1,051	984	551	525	500	459
SMOKELESS TOBACCO	1,329	1,297	1,034	962	295	335
CIGARS	3,061	3,076	1,643	1,673	1,418	1,404
ALCOHOL	4,381	4,559	2,174	2,200	2,208	2,359

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

^a Difference between estimate and 2007 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

^b Difference between estimate and 2007 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 Estimates in these designated rows do not include data from methamphetamine initiation items added in 2007 or methamphetamine use items added in 2005 and 2006.

⁴ 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.

⁵ 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, 2006 and 2007.