

**Table 7.36A Illicit Drug Dependence or Abuse in the Past Year among Persons Aged 18 or Older, by Age First Used Marijuana and Demographic Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands, 2006 and 2007**

Demographic Characteristic	Total		AGE FIRST USED MARIJUANA						Never Used Marijuana	
			14 or Younger		15-17		18 or Older			
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
TOTAL	5,847	5,758	2,217	2,141	2,396	2,116	877 <sup>a</sup>	1,182	357	318
AGE										
18-25	2,579	2,592	1,144	1,141	1,069	1,026	296	328	71	97
26-34	1,309	1,236	354	367	592	504	246	291	117	74
35-49	1,418	1,400	653	576	527	441	149 <sup>b</sup>	345	89	37
50 or Older	541	530	*	*	208	145	186	218	80	111
GENDER										
Male	3,868	3,952	1,519	1,557	1,566	1,399	565 <sup>a</sup>	813	219	183
Female	1,979	1,806	698	584	830	718	313	369	139	135
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE										
Not Hispanic or Latino	4,922	5,082	1,813	1,863	2,124	1,868	771 <sup>a</sup>	1,095	215	256
White	3,646	3,864	1,432	1,494	1,552	1,440	524 <sup>a</sup>	798	138	133
Black or African American	983	957	298	292	414	322	218	257	53	85
Other or Two or More Races	293	261	83	77	158	106	30	41	23	38
Hispanic or Latino	925	675	404	278	273	248	106	87	142	62
EDUCATION										
< High School	1,454	1,493	690	715	493	506	100	163	171	109
High School Graduate	1,820	1,880	762	755	716	666	226 <sup>a</sup>	364	117	96
Some College	1,858	1,706	605	539	882	679	336	399	35	89
College Graduate	715	679	160	133	305	266	216	257	35	24

\*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Illicit Drugs include marijuana/hashish, cocaine (including crack), heroin, hallucinogens, inhalants, or prescription-type psychotherapeutics used nonmedically, based on data from original questions not including methamphetamine items added in 2005 and 2006.

NOTE: Dependence or abuse is based on definitions found in the 4<sup>th</sup> edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders* (DSM-IV).

<sup>a</sup> Difference between estimate and 2007 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

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Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2006 and 2007.

**Table 7.36B Illicit Drug Dependence or Abuse in the Past Year among Persons Aged 18 or Older, by Age First Used Marijuana and Demographic Characteristics: Percentages, 2006 and 2007**

Demographic Characteristic	Total <sup>1</sup>		AGE FIRST USED MARIJUANA						Never Used Marijuana	
			14 or Younger		15-17		18 or Older			
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
<b>TOTAL</b>	2.7	2.6	12.9	12.9	6.7 <sup>a</sup>	5.8	2.2	2.7	0.3	0.3
<b>AGE</b>										
18-25	7.9	7.9	23.8	24.4	13.2	13.4	7.0	7.6	0.5	0.6
26-34	3.7	3.5	10.4	11.6	8.4	7.0	3.4	3.9	0.7	0.4
35-49	2.2	2.2	7.9	7.7	3.4	2.9	1.3 <sup>b</sup>	2.9	0.3	0.1
50 or Older	0.6	0.6	*	*	4.3	2.2	1.1	1.1	0.1	0.2
<b>GENDER</b>										
Male	3.6	3.7	14.9	16.2	8.2	7.0	2.6	3.6	0.4	0.3
Female	1.7	1.6	9.9	8.4	5.0	4.3	1.6	1.8	0.2	0.2
<b>HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE</b>										
Not Hispanic or Latino	2.6	2.6	11.8	12.6	6.6 <sup>a</sup>	5.6	2.0 <sup>a</sup>	2.8	0.2	0.2
White	2.4	2.5	11.0	12.0	5.7	5.1	1.7 <sup>a</sup>	2.4	0.2	0.2
Black or African American	3.9	3.8	18.5	17.5	11.1	8.7	4.4	5.0	0.4	0.6
Other or Two or More Races	2.2	1.9	11.7	12.0	12.2	8.1	1.7	2.4	0.2	0.4
Hispanic or Latino	3.2 <sup>a</sup>	2.3	20.8	15.5	8.3	7.6	3.6	2.5	0.7	0.3
<b>EDUCATION</b>										
< High School	4.0	4.1	20.2	22.5	10.6	10.6	3.0	4.8	0.7	0.4
High School Graduate	2.6	2.8	12.7	13.2	6.3	5.9	2.1	3.2	0.3	0.2
Some College	3.4	3.0	13.1	11.3	8.1 <sup>a</sup>	5.8	2.9	3.3	0.1	0.3
College Graduate	1.2	1.1	5.0	4.5	3.5	2.9	1.4	1.6	0.1	0.1

\*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Illicit Drugs include marijuana/hashish, cocaine (including crack), heroin, hallucinogens, inhalants, or prescription-type psychotherapeutics used nonmedically, based on data from original questions not including methamphetamine items added in 2005 and 2006.

NOTE: Dependence or abuse is based on definitions found in the 4<sup>th</sup> edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders* (DSM-IV).

<sup>a</sup> Difference between estimate and 2007 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

<sup>b</sup> Difference between estimate and 2007 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.01 level.

<sup>1</sup> Percentages in the Total column are among all persons aged 18 or older, regardless of whether they ever used an illicit drug.

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**Table 7.37A Alcohol Dependence or Abuse in the Past Year among Persons Aged 18 or Older, by Age First Used Alcohol and Demographic Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands, 2006 and 2007**

Demographic Characteristic	Total		AGE FIRST USED ALCOHOL					
			14 or Younger		15-17		18 or Older	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
<b>TOTAL</b>	17,438	17,273	6,906 <sup>a</sup>	6,209	7,543	7,850	2,989	3,214
<b>AGE</b>								
18-25	5,774	5,506	2,418 <sup>a</sup>	2,154	2,628	2,654	728	699
26-34	3,980	3,779	1,818 <sup>a</sup>	1,388	1,505	1,733	657	658
35-49	4,901	5,051	1,950	1,978	2,082	2,064	870	1,009
50 or Older	2,783	2,937	720	689	1,329	1,399	734	848
<b>GENDER</b>								
Male	11,654	12,048	4,868	4,393	4,992	5,394	1,794 <sup>a</sup>	2,260
Female	5,784	5,225	2,038	1,816	2,551	2,456	1,195	954
<b>HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE</b>								
Not Hispanic or Latino	14,828	15,127	5,844	5,518	6,546	6,907	2,437	2,702
White	12,197	12,555	5,025	4,871	5,372	5,760	1,799	1,924
Black or African American	1,846	1,754	570	462	817	774	459	518
Other or Two or More Races	786	818	249	185	357	374	180	260
Hispanic or Latino	2,610 <sup>a</sup>	2,146	1,062 <sup>b</sup>	691	997	943	551	512
<b>EDUCATION</b>								
< High School	3,004	2,767	1,290	1,250	1,181	1,012	534	506
High School Graduate	5,513	5,294	2,368 <sup>b</sup>	1,799	2,221	2,563	924	932
Some College	4,858	5,041	1,708	1,804	2,353	2,368	797	869
College Graduate	4,064	4,170	1,541	1,355	1,789	1,907	734	908

\*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Dependence or abuse is based on definitions found in the 4<sup>th</sup> edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders* (DSM-IV).

<sup>a</sup> Difference between estimate and 2007 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

<sup>b</sup> Difference between estimate and 2007 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.01 level.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2006 and 2007.

**Table 7.37B Alcohol Dependence or Abuse in the Past Year among Persons Aged 18 or Older, by Age First Used Alcohol and Demographic Characteristics: Percentages, 2006 and 2007**

Demographic Characteristic	Total <sup>1</sup>		AGE FIRST USED ALCOHOL					
			14 or Younger		15-17		18 or Older	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
<b>TOTAL</b>	7.9	7.8	17.5 <sup>a</sup>	15.9	10.4	10.9	3.7	3.9
<b>AGE</b>								
18-25	17.6	16.8	31.6	30.0	20.8	21.3	9.0	8.5
26-34	11.3	10.7	22.1	18.6	12.6	14.7	5.8	5.3
35-49	7.5	7.8	13.5	13.6	8.4	8.8	4.3	5.0
50 or Older	3.2	3.3	7.9	7.0	5.8	5.7	1.8	2.0
<b>GENDER</b>								
Male	11.0	11.2	19.5	18.4	12.6	13.5	5.5	6.7
Female	5.1 <sup>a</sup>	4.5	14.2 <sup>a</sup>	12.0	7.8	7.6	2.5	1.9
<b>HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE</b>								
Not Hispanic or Latino	7.7	7.8	16.7	15.9	10.1	10.7	3.4	3.7
White	8.0	8.2	16.5	16.1	9.7	10.6	3.3	3.4
Black or African American	7.3	6.9	19.8	15.4	12.1	11.0	4.2	4.9
Other or Two or More Races	5.9	6.0	14.8	13.7	13.2	13.4	3.1	4.5
Hispanic or Latino	9.0 <sup>a</sup>	7.3	24.4 <sup>b</sup>	15.7	13.0	12.1	5.2	4.8
<b>EDUCATION</b>								
< High School	8.2	7.6	21.6	21.8	12.0	10.5	4.5	4.3
High School Graduate	8.0	7.8	20.8 <sup>b</sup>	16.4	10.0	11.6	3.6	3.7
Some College	8.8	8.8	16.5	16.1	12.1	11.8	3.8	4.1
College Graduate	6.8	6.9	13.2	12.1	8.5	9.4	3.2	3.7

\*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Dependence or abuse is based on definitions found in the 4<sup>th</sup> edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders* (DSM-IV).

<sup>a</sup> Difference between estimate and 2007 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

<sup>b</sup> Difference between estimate and 2007 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.01 level.

<sup>1</sup> Percentages in the Total column are among all persons aged 18 or older, regardless of whether they ever used alcohol.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2006 and 2007.

**Table 7.38A Alcohol Dependence or Abuse in the Past Year among Persons Aged 21 or Older, by Age First Used Alcohol and Age Group: Numbers in Thousands, 2006 and 2007**

Age Group	Total		AGE FIRST USED ALCOHOL							
			14 or Younger		15-17		18-20		21 or Older	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
<b>21 OR OLDER</b>	15,324	15,200	5,926	5,309	6,546	6,822	2,101	2,359	751	710
21 to 25	3,660	3,433	1,438 <sup>a</sup>	1,254	1,630	1,625	470	458	122	96
26 or Older	11,664	11,767	4,488	4,055	4,915	5,197	1,632	1,901	629	614
26 to 49	8,881	8,830	3,768	3,365	3,586	3,797	1,079	1,217	448	450
26 to 34	3,980	3,779	1,818 <sup>a</sup>	1,388	1,505	1,733	501	518	156	140
35 to 49	4,901	5,051	1,950	1,978	2,082	2,064	578	699	292	310
50 or Older	2,783	2,937	720	689	1,329	1,399	553	684	181	164

\*Low precision; no estimate reported.

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**Table 7.38B Alcohol Dependence or Abuse in the Past Year among Persons Aged 21 or Older, by Age First Used Alcohol and Age Group: Percentages, 2006 and 2007**

Age Group	Total <sup>1</sup>		AGE FIRST USED ALCOHOL							
			14 or Younger		15-17		18-20		21 or Older	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
<b>21 OR OLDER</b>	7.4	7.3	16.3	14.7	9.7	10.2	4.3	4.9	2.4	2.2
21 to 25	18.3	17.6	31.1	29.3	22.5	23.2	11.1	10.9	6.4	4.9
26 or Older	6.2	6.2	14.1	12.7	8.2	8.7	3.7	4.3	2.2	2.0
26 to 49	8.8	8.8	16.7	15.3	9.7	10.8	5.4	6.0	3.9	3.6
26 to 34	11.3	10.7	22.1	18.6	12.6	14.7	7.2	7.0	3.6	2.8
35 to 49	7.5	7.8	13.5	13.6	8.4	8.8	4.4	5.5	4.1	4.1
50 or Older	3.2	3.3	7.9	7.0	5.8	5.7	2.3	2.8	1.0	0.9

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<sup>1</sup> Percentages in the Total column are among all persons aged 21 or older, regardless of whether they ever used alcohol.

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**Table 7.39A Illicit Drug Dependence in the Past Year among Persons Aged 18 or Older, by Age First Used Marijuana and Demographic Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands, 2006 and 2007**

Demographic Characteristic	Total		AGE FIRST USED MARIJUANA						Never Used Marijuana	
			14 or Younger		15-17		18 or Older			
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
TOTAL	4,201	4,107	1,715	1,611	1,730	1,474	585 <sup>a</sup>	825	171	198
AGE										
18-25	1,777	1,781	824	806	736	721	188	206	30	48
26-34	963	866	336	281	426	321	156	237	44	27
35-49	1,035	1,079	489	468	393	331	113 <sup>a</sup>	242	41	37
50 or Older	426	381	*	*	175	100	128	139	56	86
GENDER										
Male	2,679	2,672	1,142	1,112	1,084	905	356 <sup>a</sup>	570	97	85
Female	1,522	1,435	573	499	646	569	230	255	74	113
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE										
Not Hispanic or Latino	3,608	3,623	1,360	1,397	1,548	1,289	553	763	147	173
White	2,650	2,739	1,057	1,095	1,121	998	382	564	91	82
Black or African American	787	737	241	245	345	244	161	174	40	74
Other or Two or More Races	171	146	62	57	83	47	10	25	16	17
Hispanic or Latino	593	484	355	214	181	185	32	61	24	25
EDUCATION										
< High School	1,009	1,081	515	545	365	383	56	98	72	55
High School Graduate	1,314	1,345	620	595	495	415	123 <sup>b</sup>	272	76	64
Some College	1,410	1,222	467	400	669 <sup>a</sup>	467	262	289	12	65
College Graduate	468	459	113	71	201	209	143	166	11	14

\*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Illicit Drugs include marijuana/hashish, cocaine (including crack), heroin, hallucinogens, inhalants, or prescription-type psychotherapeutics used nonmedically, based on data from original questions not including methamphetamine items added in 2005 and 2006.

NOTE: Dependence is based on the definition found in the 4<sup>th</sup> edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders* (DSM-IV).

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**Table 7.39B Illicit Drug Dependence in the Past Year among Persons Aged 18 or Older, by Age First Used Marijuana and Demographic Characteristics: Percentages, 2006 and 2007**

Demographic Characteristic	Total <sup>1</sup>		AGE FIRST USED MARIJUANA						Never Used Marijuana	
			14 or Younger		15-17		18 or Older			
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
<b>TOTAL</b>	1.9	1.8	9.9	9.7	4.9 <sup>a</sup>	4.0	1.4	1.9	0.1	0.2
<b>AGE</b>										
18-25	5.4	5.4	17.2	17.3	9.1	9.5	4.4	4.8	0.2	0.3
26-34	2.7	2.5	9.9	8.9	6.0	4.5	2.1	3.2	0.3	0.2
35-49	1.6	1.7	5.9	6.3	2.5	2.2	1.0 <sup>a</sup>	2.0	0.1	0.1
50 or Older	0.5	0.4	*	*	3.6	1.5	0.7	0.7	0.1	0.1
<b>GENDER</b>										
Male	2.5	2.5	11.2	11.6	5.7	4.5	1.7 <sup>a</sup>	2.5	0.2	0.2
Female	1.3	1.2	8.1	7.2	3.9	3.4	1.2	1.2	0.1	0.2
<b>HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE</b>										
Not Hispanic or Latino	1.9	1.9	8.9	9.4	4.8 <sup>a</sup>	3.8	1.5	1.9	0.1	0.2
White	1.7	1.8	8.1	8.8	4.1	3.5	1.2	1.7	0.1	0.1
Black or African American	3.1	2.9	14.9	14.7	9.2	6.6	3.3	3.4	0.3	0.5
Other or Two or More Races	1.3	1.1	8.8	8.9	6.4	3.6	0.6	1.5	0.2	0.2
Hispanic or Latino	2.1	1.6	18.3	11.9	5.5	5.7	1.1	1.8	0.1	0.1
<b>EDUCATION</b>										
< High School	2.8	3.0	15.1	17.1	7.9	8.1	1.7	2.9	0.3	0.2
High School Graduate	1.9	2.0	10.4	10.4	4.3	3.7	1.2 <sup>a</sup>	2.4	0.2	0.2
Some College	2.6	2.1	10.1	8.4	6.2 <sup>a</sup>	4.0	2.3	2.4	0.0	0.2
College Graduate	0.8	0.8	3.5	2.4	2.3	2.3	1.0	1.0	0.0	0.0

\*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Illicit Drugs include marijuana/hashish, cocaine (including crack), heroin, hallucinogens, inhalants, or prescription-type psychotherapeutics used nonmedically, based on data from original questions not including methamphetamine items added in 2005 and 2006.

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Demographic Characteristic	Total		AGE FIRST USED ALCOHOL					
			14 or Younger		15-17		18 or Older	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
<b>TOTAL</b>	7,933	7,897	3,548	3,168	3,160	3,383	1,225	1,346
<b>AGE</b>								
18-25	2,497	2,373	1,132	1,011	1,052	1,072	313	290
26-34	1,709	1,637	881 <sup>a</sup>	623	628	725	200	289
35-49	2,388	2,562	1,137	1,145	892	947	360	470
50 or Older	1,339	1,324	398	389	589	639	353	296
<b>GENDER</b>								
Male	5,130	5,365	2,402	2,152	2,059	2,241	668 <sup>a</sup>	972
Female	2,803	2,532	1,146	1,016	1,101	1,142	557	374
<b>HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE</b>								
Not Hispanic or Latino	6,652	6,920	2,905	2,794	2,694	2,945	1,053	1,181
White	5,326	5,566	2,435	2,413	2,173	2,344	718	810
Black or African American	984	962	339	278	396	424	248	260
Other or Two or More Races	342	392	131	103	125	177	87	112
Hispanic or Latino	1,281	977	643 <sup>a</sup>	374	466	438	172	165
<b>EDUCATION</b>								
< High School	1,555	1,397	767	783	551	458	236	155
High School Graduate	2,714	2,643	1,272 <sup>b</sup>	893	1,050	1,244	392	506
Some College	2,112	2,319	821	948	971	1,005	321	366
College Graduate	1,552	1,538	688	543	587	676	277	319

\*Low precision; no estimate reported.

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**Table 7.40B Alcohol Dependence in the Past Year among Persons Aged 18 or Older, by Age First Used Alcohol and Demographic Characteristics: Percentages, 2006 and 2007**

Demographic Characteristic	Total <sup>1</sup>		AGE FIRST USED ALCOHOL					
			14 or Younger		15-17		18 or Older	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
<b>TOTAL</b>	3.6	3.5	9.0	8.1	4.4	4.7	1.5	1.6
<b>AGE</b>								
18-25	7.6	7.3	14.8	14.1	8.3	8.6	3.9	3.5
26-34	4.9	4.6	10.7	8.4	5.3	6.2	1.8	2.3
35-49	3.7	4.0	7.9	7.8	3.6	4.0	1.8	2.3
50 or Older	1.5	1.5	4.4	3.9	2.5	2.6	0.8	0.7
<b>GENDER</b>								
Male	4.8	5.0	9.6	9.0	5.2	5.6	2.0 <sup>a</sup>	2.9
Female	2.5	2.2	8.0	6.7	3.3	3.6	1.2 <sup>a</sup>	0.8
<b>HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE</b>								
Not Hispanic or Latino	3.5	3.6	8.3	8.1	4.2	4.6	1.5	1.6
White	3.5	3.6	8.0	8.0	3.9	4.3	1.3	1.4
Black or African American	3.9	3.8	11.8	9.3	5.9	6.0	2.3	2.5
Other or Two or More Races	2.6	2.9	7.8	7.6	4.6	6.3	1.5	1.9
Hispanic or Latino	4.4 <sup>a</sup>	3.3	14.8 <sup>a</sup>	8.5	6.1	5.6	1.6	1.6
<b>EDUCATION</b>								
< High School	4.2	3.8	12.8	13.7	5.6	4.7	2.0	1.3
High School Graduate	3.9	3.9	11.2 <sup>a</sup>	8.2	4.7	5.6	1.5	2.0
Some College	3.8	4.0	7.9	8.5	5.0	5.0	1.5	1.7
College Graduate	2.6	2.5	5.9	4.8	2.8	3.3	1.2	1.3

\*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Dependence is based on the definition found in the 4<sup>th</sup> edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders* (DSM-IV).

<sup>a</sup> Difference between estimate and 2007 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

<sup>b</sup> Difference between estimate and 2007 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.01 level.

<sup>1</sup> Percentages in the Total column are among all persons aged 18 or older, regardless of whether they ever used alcohol.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2006 and 2007.

**Table 7.41A Alcohol Dependence in the Past Year among Persons Aged 21 or Older, by Age First Used Alcohol and Age Group: Numbers in Thousands, 2006 and 2007**

Age Group	Total		AGE FIRST USED ALCOHOL							
			14 or Younger		15-17		18-20		21 or Older	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
<b>21 OR OLDER</b>	7,082	7,051	3,107	2,782	2,795	2,984	879	988	301	297
21 to 25	1,645	1,528	691	625	687	673	213	197	53	33
26 or Older	5,437	5,523	2,416	2,157	2,108	2,311	665	791	247	265
26 to 49	4,097	4,199	2,018	1,768	1,519	1,672	399	500	160	259
26 to 34	1,709	1,637	881 <sup>a</sup>	623	628	725	163	209	37	79
35 to 49	2,388	2,562	1,137	1,145	892	947	236	290	124	180
50 or Older	1,339	1,324	398	389	589	639	266	291	87 <sup>a</sup>	5

\*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Dependence is based on the definition found in the 4<sup>th</sup> edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders* (DSM-IV).

<sup>a</sup> Difference between estimate and 2007 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

<sup>b</sup> Difference between estimate and 2007 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.01 level.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2006 and 2007.

**Table 7.41B Alcohol Dependence in the Past Year among Persons Aged 21 or Older, by Age First Used Alcohol and Age Group: Percentages, 2006 and 2007**

Age Group	Total <sup>1</sup>		AGE FIRST USED ALCOHOL							
			14 or Younger		15-17		18-20		21 or Older	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
<b>21 OR OLDER</b>	3.4	3.4	8.5	7.7	4.2	4.5	1.8	2.0	1.0	0.9
21 to 25	8.2	7.8	14.9	14.6	9.5	9.6	5.1	4.7	2.8	1.7
26 or Older	2.9	2.9	7.6	6.8	3.5	3.9	1.5	1.8	0.9	0.9
26 to 49	4.1	4.2	8.9	8.0	4.1	4.7	2.0	2.5	1.4	2.1
26 to 34	4.9	4.6	10.7	8.4	5.3	6.2	2.3	2.8	0.8	1.6
35 to 49	3.7	4.0	7.9	7.8	3.6	4.0	1.8	2.3	1.7	2.4
50 or Older	1.5	1.5	4.4	3.9	2.5	2.6	1.1	1.2	0.5 <sup>a</sup>	0.0

\*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Dependence is based on the definition found in the 4<sup>th</sup> edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders* (DSM-IV).

<sup>a</sup> Difference between estimate and 2007 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

<sup>b</sup> Difference between estimate and 2007 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.01 level.

<sup>1</sup> Percentages in the Total column are among all persons aged 21 or older, regardless of whether they ever used alcohol.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2006 and 2007.