

Table 4.1D Past Year Initiation of Illicit Drug Use among Persons Aged 12 or Older, Persons Aged 12 or Older At Risk for Initiation of Illicit Drug Use, and Past Year Illicit Drug Users Aged 12 or Older, by Demographic Characteristics: Standard Errors of Numbers in Thousands and Standard Errors of Percentages, 2007 and 2008

Demographic Characteristic	NUMBER OF PAST YEAR INITIATES (1,000s)		PERCENTAGE OF PAST YEAR INITIATES AMONG TOTAL POPULATION		PERCENTAGE OF PAST YEAR INITIATES AMONG PERSONS AT RISK FOR INITIATION ¹		PERCENTAGE OF PAST YEAR INITIATES AMONG PAST YEAR USERS	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
TOTAL	94	106	0.04	0.04	0.07	0.08	0.26	0.30
AGE								
12-25	69	76	0.12	0.13	0.20	0.21	0.42	0.45
12-17	50	53	0.20	0.21	0.25	0.27	0.93	0.96
12-13	22	23	0.26	0.28	0.29	0.31	2.60	2.59
14-15	33	32	0.37	0.37	0.45	0.45	1.71	1.69
16-17	35	38	0.38	0.40	0.55	0.57	1.16	1.20
18-25	47	52	0.14	0.16	0.32	0.33	0.41	0.46
18-20	41	44	0.29	0.31	0.55	0.57	0.77	0.81
21-25	22	34	0.11	0.17	0.28	0.39	0.35	0.52
26 or Older	61	69	0.03	0.04	0.06	0.07	0.30	0.35
GENDER								
Male	60	67	0.05	0.06	0.10	0.11	0.29	0.34
Female	73	83	0.06	0.06	0.10	0.11	0.48	0.52
GENDER/AGE								
Male 12-17	37	36	0.29	0.28	0.36	0.35	1.29	1.27
Female 12-17	36	37	0.29	0.30	0.35	0.38	1.38	1.37

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: 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.

NOTE: Illicit Drugs include marijuana/hashish, cocaine (including crack), heroin, hallucinogens, inhalants, or prescription-type psychotherapeutics used nonmedically. These estimates do not include data from methamphetamine initiation items added in 2007 or methamphetamine use items added in 2005 and 2006.

¹ At Risk for Initiation is defined as persons who did not use the substance(s) in their lifetime or used the substance(s) for the first time in the past year.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2007 and 2008.

Table 4.1P Past Year Initiation of Illicit Drug Use among Persons Aged 12 or Older, Persons Aged 12 or Older At Risk for Initiation of Illicit Drug Use, and Past Year Illicit Drug Users Aged 12 or Older, by Demographic Characteristics: *P* Values from Tests of Differences of Percentages, 2008 Versus 2007

Demographic Characteristic	NUMBER OF PAST YEAR INITIATES (1,000s)		PERCENTAGE OF PAST YEAR INITIATES AMONG TOTAL POPULATION		PERCENTAGE OF PAST YEAR INITIATES AMONG PERSONS AT RISK FOR INITIATION ¹		PERCENTAGE OF PAST YEAR INITIATES AMONG PAST YEAR USERS	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
TOTAL	N/A		0.1697		0.1055		0.1063	
AGE								
12-25	N/A		0.2200		0.3007		0.3194	
12-17	N/A		0.5636		0.5983		0.7350	
12-13	N/A		0.2736		0.2889		0.6788	
14-15	N/A		0.5040		0.5106		0.6679	
16-17	N/A		0.5748		0.7037		0.5309	
18-25	N/A		0.1694		0.2851		0.1876	
18-20	N/A		0.8978		1.0000		0.9915	
21-25	N/A		0.0146		0.0261		0.0156	
26 or Older	N/A		0.3136		0.2740		0.2595	
GENDER								
Male	N/A		0.4388		0.3592		0.1052	
Female	N/A		0.2615		0.1865		0.6469	
GENDER/AGE								
Male 12-17	N/A		0.8339		0.7069		0.9593	
Female 12-17	N/A		0.2971		0.2492		0.7166	

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

N/A: Not applicable.

NOTE: 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.

NOTE: Illicit Drugs include marijuana/hashish, cocaine (including crack), heroin, hallucinogens, inhalants, or prescription-type psychotherapeutics used nonmedically. These estimates do not include data from methamphetamine initiation items added in 2007 or methamphetamine use items added in 2005 and 2006.

¹ At Risk for Initiation is defined as persons who did not use the substance(s) in their lifetime or used the substance(s) for the first time in the past year.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2007 and 2008.

Table 4.2D Past Year Initiation of Marijuana Use among Persons Aged 12 or Older, Persons Aged 12 or Older At Risk for Initiation of Marijuana Use, and Past Year Marijuana Users Aged 12 or Older, by Demographic Characteristics: Standard Errors of Numbers in Thousands and Standard Errors of Percentages, 2007 and 2008

Demographic Characteristic	NUMBER OF PAST YEAR INITIATES (1,000s)		PERCENTAGE OF PAST YEAR INITIATES AMONG TOTAL POPULATION		PERCENTAGE OF PAST YEAR INITIATES AMONG PERSONS AT RISK FOR INITIATION ¹		PERCENTAGE OF PAST YEAR INITIATES AMONG PAST YEAR USERS	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
TOTAL	77	88	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.31	0.34
AGE								
12-25	64	69	0.11	0.12	0.16	0.17	0.49	0.53
12-17	45	49	0.18	0.19	0.20	0.22	1.11	1.18
12-13	13	15	0.15	0.19	0.16	0.19	5.12	5.10
14-15	27	31	0.31	0.35	0.35	0.39	2.20	2.22
16-17	34	34	0.37	0.37	0.48	0.47	1.34	1.34
18-25	45	49	0.14	0.15	0.27	0.28	0.48	0.52
18-20	40	41	0.28	0.29	0.48	0.48	0.86	0.90
21-25	20	31	0.10	0.15	0.22	0.32	0.38	0.59
26 or Older	37	45	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.29	0.33
GENDER								
Male	51	55	0.04	0.05	0.08	0.08	0.33	0.37
Female	56	67	0.04	0.05	0.07	0.08	0.58	0.62
GENDER/AGE								
Male 12-17	32	34	0.25	0.27	0.29	0.30	1.53	1.58
Female 12-17	32	33	0.26	0.27	0.29	0.30	1.76	1.74

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: 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.

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Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2007 and 2008.

Table 4.2P Past Year Initiation of Marijuana Use among Persons Aged 12 or Older, Persons Aged 12 or Older At Risk for Initiation of Marijuana Use, and Past Year Marijuana Users Aged 12 or Older, by Demographic Characteristics: *P* Values from Tests of Differences of Percentages, 2008 Versus 2007

Demographic Characteristic	NUMBER OF PAST YEAR INITIATES (1,000s)		PERCENTAGE OF PAST YEAR INITIATES AMONG TOTAL POPULATION		PERCENTAGE OF PAST YEAR INITIATES AMONG PERSONS AT RISK FOR INITIATION ¹		PERCENTAGE OF PAST YEAR INITIATES AMONG PAST YEAR USERS	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
TOTAL	N/A		0.3815		0.3234		0.6016	
AGE								
12-25	N/A		0.2963		0.3074		0.4817	
12-17	N/A		0.1696		0.1722		0.4364	
12-13	N/A		0.0767		0.0772		0.4524	
14-15	N/A		0.3130		0.3062		0.4072	
16-17	N/A		0.9609		0.9420		0.9453	
18-25	N/A		0.8151		0.8977		0.8583	
18-20	N/A		0.1984		0.2126		0.1102	
21-25	N/A		0.0098		0.0122		0.0084	
26 or Older	N/A		0.6888		0.6725		0.7380	
GENDER								
Male	N/A		0.8239		0.8165		0.4135	
Female	N/A		0.3308		0.2714		0.6464	
GENDER/AGE								
Male 12-17	N/A		0.6607		0.6872		0.5923	
Female 12-17	N/A		0.1362		0.1285		0.6928	

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

N/A: Not applicable.

NOTE: 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.

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Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2007 and 2008.

Table 4.3D Past Year Initiation of Cigarette Use among Persons Aged 12 or Older, Persons Aged 12 or Older At Risk for Initiation of Cigarette Use, and Past Year Cigarette Users Aged 12 or Older, by Demographic Characteristics: Standard Errors of Numbers in Thousands and Standard Errors of Percentages, 2007 and 2008

Demographic Characteristic	NUMBER OF PAST YEAR INITIATES (1,000s)		PERCENTAGE OF PAST YEAR INITIATES AMONG TOTAL POPULATION		PERCENTAGE OF PAST YEAR INITIATES AMONG PERSONS AT RISK FOR INITIATION ¹		PERCENTAGE OF PAST YEAR INITIATES AMONG PAST YEAR USERS	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
TOTAL	71	89	0.03	0.04	0.08	0.10	0.11	0.13
AGE								
12-25	68	79	0.12	0.14	0.20	0.23	0.36	0.40
12-17	48	49	0.19	0.19	0.24	0.24	1.01	1.08
12-13	17	18	0.21	0.22	0.22	0.24	3.58	3.82
14-15	30	30	0.34	0.35	0.41	0.41	1.80	1.92
16-17	35	34	0.39	0.38	0.57	0.55	1.24	1.30
18-25	48	58	0.15	0.17	0.37	0.44	0.32	0.38
18-20	44	52	0.31	0.36	0.64	0.73	0.69	0.78
21-25	22	31	0.11	0.15	0.34	0.45	0.23	0.33
26 or Older	15	31	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.05	0.03	0.06
GENDER								
Male	49	59	0.04	0.05	0.14	0.16	0.13	0.16
Female	52	65	0.04	0.05	0.10	0.13	0.17	0.20
GENDER/AGE								
Male 12-17	32	30	0.25	0.24	0.31	0.29	1.36	1.42
Female 12-17	34	38	0.28	0.31	0.34	0.37	1.48	1.63

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: 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.

¹ At Risk for Initiation is defined as persons who did not use the substance(s) in their lifetime or used the substance(s) for the first time in the past year.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2007 and 2008.

Table 4.3P Past Year Initiation of Cigarette Use among Persons Aged 12 or Older, Persons Aged 12 or Older At Risk for Initiation of Cigarette Use, and Past Year Cigarette Users Aged 12 or Older, by Demographic Characteristics: *P* Values from Tests of Differences of Percentages, 2008 Versus 2007

Demographic Characteristic	NUMBER OF PAST YEAR INITIATES (1,000s)		PERCENTAGE OF PAST YEAR INITIATES AMONG TOTAL POPULATION		PERCENTAGE OF PAST YEAR INITIATES AMONG PERSONS AT RISK FOR INITIATION ¹		PERCENTAGE OF PAST YEAR INITIATES AMONG PAST YEAR USERS	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
TOTAL	N/A		0.1382		0.1922		0.0761	
AGE								
12-25	N/A		0.1477		0.2272		0.0941	
12-17	N/A		0.2020		0.3019		0.0121	
12-13	N/A		0.8675		0.8909		0.9661	
14-15	N/A		0.1816		0.2666		0.0104	
16-17	N/A		0.6838		0.9594		0.1434	
18-25	N/A		0.3768		0.5165		0.3484	
18-20	N/A		0.6042		0.6345		0.8664	
21-25	N/A		0.2738		0.3704		0.2154	
26 or Older	N/A		0.2056		0.2108		0.1953	
GENDER								
Male	N/A		0.2203		0.4044		0.0987	
Female	N/A		0.3782		0.3515		0.4012	
GENDER/AGE								
Male 12-17	N/A		0.8565		0.9036		0.1471	
Female 12-17	N/A		0.1275		0.1385		0.0447	

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

N/A: Not applicable.

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Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2007 and 2008.

Table 4.4D Past Year Initiation of Alcohol Use among Persons Aged 12 or Older, Persons Aged 12 or Older At Risk for Initiation of Alcohol Use, and Past Year Alcohol Users Aged 12 or Older, by Demographic Characteristics: Standard Errors of Numbers in Thousands and Standard Errors of Percentages, 2007 and 2008

Demographic Characteristic	NUMBER OF PAST YEAR INITIATES (1,000s)		PERCENTAGE OF PAST YEAR INITIATES AMONG TOTAL POPULATION		PERCENTAGE OF PAST YEAR INITIATES AMONG PERSONS AT RISK FOR INITIATION ¹		PERCENTAGE OF PAST YEAR INITIATES AMONG PAST YEAR USERS	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
TOTAL	111	115	0.04	0.05	0.25	0.24	0.07	0.07
AGE								
12-25	99	93	0.17	0.16	0.38	0.36	0.30	0.28
12-17	69	63	0.27	0.25	0.37	0.34	0.74	0.71
12-13	25	26	0.30	0.32	0.33	0.35	2.31	2.61
14-15	51	44	0.54	0.48	0.71	0.64	1.37	1.33
16-17	49	47	0.54	0.50	0.98	0.87	0.92	0.92
18-25	70	68	0.21	0.21	0.92	0.94	0.27	0.26
18-20	62	60	0.41	0.42	1.22	1.20	0.57	0.58
21-25	43	40	0.21	0.20	1.43	1.46	0.26	0.24
26 or Older	32	50	0.02	0.03	0.13	0.20	0.02	0.04
GENDER								
Male	79	78	0.07	0.06	0.42	0.41	0.09	0.09
Female	76	83	0.06	0.06	0.29	0.30	0.10	0.11
GENDER/AGE								
Male 12-17	49	46	0.38	0.36	0.52	0.49	1.07	1.06
Female 12-17	48	45	0.39	0.37	0.53	0.50	1.03	0.99

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

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Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2007 and 2008.

Table 4.4P Past Year Initiation of Alcohol Use among Persons Aged 12 or Older, Persons Aged 12 or Older At Risk for Initiation of Alcohol Use, and Past Year Alcohol Users Aged 12 or Older, by Demographic Characteristics: *P* Values from Tests of Differences of Percentages, 2008 Versus 2007

Demographic Characteristic	NUMBER OF PAST YEAR INITIATES (1,000s)		PERCENTAGE OF PAST YEAR INITIATES AMONG TOTAL POPULATION		PERCENTAGE OF PAST YEAR INITIATES AMONG PERSONS AT RISK FOR INITIATION ¹		PERCENTAGE OF PAST YEAR INITIATES AMONG PAST YEAR USERS	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
TOTAL	N/A		0.4323		0.4422		0.3585	
AGE								
12-25	N/A		0.2433		0.2889		0.2736	
12-17	N/A		0.2466		0.1454		0.7210	
12-13	N/A		0.4960		0.4830		0.6256	
14-15	N/A		0.2173		0.1973		0.3658	
16-17	N/A		0.6465		0.1397		0.5958	
18-25	N/A		0.6929		0.9498		0.6746	
18-20	N/A		0.8912		0.8785		0.7399	
21-25	N/A		0.4602		0.9066		0.4111	
26 or Older	N/A		0.1856		0.1981		0.1913	
GENDER								
Male	N/A		0.5546		0.7613		0.4611	
Female	N/A		0.5996		0.4843		0.5655	
GENDER/AGE								
Male 12-17	N/A		0.5474		0.2845		0.5737	
Female 12-17	N/A		0.3190		0.3735		0.2430	

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

N/A: Not applicable.

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