

Table 1.21A Any Use and Misuse of Prescription Psychotherapeutics in Past Year among Persons Aged 12 or Older and Misuse of Prescription Psychotherapeutics in Past Year among Past Year Any Users Aged 12 or Older, by Age Group: Numbers in Thousands, 2017 and 2018

Prescription Drug/Age Group	Any Use in Past Year (2017)	Any Use in Past Year (2018)	Misuse in Past Year among Total Population (2017)	Misuse in Past Year among Total Population (2018)	Misuse in Past Year among Past Year Any Users (2017)	Misuse in Past Year among Past Year Any Users (2018)
PSYCHOTHERAPEUTICS	114,765 ^a	111,195	18,077 ^a	16,882	18,077 ^a	16,882
12-17	5,906	5,779	1,232	1,196	1,232	1,196
18 or Older	108,859 ^a	105,417	16,844 ^a	15,686	16,844 ^a	15,686
18-25	14,093 ^a	12,864	4,956 ^a	4,202	4,956 ^a	4,202
26 or Older	94,766 ^a	92,552	11,888	11,484	11,888	11,484
PAIN RELIEVERS	90,799 ^a	86,548	11,077 ^a	9,948	11,077 ^a	9,948
12-17	4,346	4,141	767	695	767	695
18 or Older	86,454 ^a	82,407	10,310 ^a	9,253	10,310 ^a	9,253
18-25	10,262 ^a	8,931	2,460 ^a	1,858	2,460 ^a	1,858
26 or Older	76,191 ^a	73,476	7,850	7,395	7,850	7,395
STIMULANTS	18,629	18,008	5,839 ^a	5,109	5,839 ^a	5,109
12-17	1,787	1,752	452	369	452	369
18 or Older	16,842	16,256	5,386 ^a	4,739	5,386 ^a	4,739
18-25	5,038 ^a	4,473	2,545 ^a	2,216	2,545 ^a	2,216
26 or Older	11,805	11,783	2,841	2,524	2,841	2,524
TRANQUILIZERS OR SEDATIVES	46,679	46,394	6,743	6,435	6,743	6,435
12-17	1,507	1,371	492	460	492	460
18 or Older	45,171	45,023	6,251	5,975	6,251	5,975
18-25	4,646 ^a	4,234	1,949 ^a	1,658	1,949 ^a	1,658
26 or Older	40,525	40,789	4,302	4,317	4,302	4,317
TRANQUILIZERS	38,168	37,610	5,944	5,742	5,944	5,742
12-17	1,139	1,001	458	423	458	423
18 or Older	37,029	36,609	5,485	5,319	5,485	5,319
18-25	4,098 ^a	3,681	1,880 ^a	1,566	1,880 ^a	1,566
26 or Older	32,931	32,928	3,605	3,753	3,605	3,753
SEDATIVES	16,741	16,775	1,351	1,084	1,351	1,084
12-17	563	502	74	63	74	63
18 or Older	16,177	16,274	1,278	1,021	1,278	1,021
18-25	1,151	1,049	199	194	199	194
26 or Older	15,027	15,225	1,079	827	1,079	827
BENZODIAZEPINES	31,548	30,755	5,674	5,438	5,674	5,438
12-17	855	769	441	399	441	399
18 or Older	30,694	29,987	5,233	5,039	5,233	5,039
18-25	3,703 ^a	3,230	1,830 ^a	1,526	1,830 ^a	1,526
26 or Older	26,991	26,757	3,403	3,513	3,403	3,513

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^a The difference between this estimate and the 2018 estimate is statistically significant at the .05 level. Rounding may make the estimates appear identical.

Definitions: Measures and terms are defined in Appendix A.

Source: SAMHSA, Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2017 and 2018.

Table 1.21B Any Use and Misuse of Prescription Psychotherapeutics in Past Year among Persons Aged 12 or Older and Misuse of Prescription Psychotherapeutics in Past Year among Past Year Any Users Aged 12 or Older, by Age Group: Percentages, 2017 and 2018

Prescription Drug/Age Group	Any Use in Past Year (2017)	Any Use in Past Year (2018)	Misuse in Past Year among Total Population (2017)	Misuse in Past Year among Total Population (2018)	Misuse in Past Year among Past Year Any Users (2017)	Misuse in Past Year among Past Year Any Users (2018)
PSYCHOTHERAPEUTICS	42.2 ^a	40.6	6.6 ^a	6.2	15.8	15.2
12-17	23.7	23.2	4.9	4.8	20.9	20.7
18 or Older	44.0 ^a	42.4	6.8 ^a	6.3	15.5	14.9
18-25	41.1 ^a	37.8	14.4 ^a	12.3	35.2 ^a	32.7
26 or Older	44.5 ^a	43.1	5.6	5.3	12.5	12.4
PAIN RELIEVERS	33.4 ^a	31.6	4.1 ^a	3.6	12.2	11.5
12-17	17.4	16.6	3.1	2.8	17.6	16.8
18 or Older	35.0 ^a	33.1	4.2 ^a	3.7	11.9	11.2
18-25	29.9 ^a	26.2	7.2 ^a	5.5	24.0 ^a	20.8
26 or Older	35.8 ^a	34.2	3.7	3.4	10.3	10.1
STIMULANTS	6.8	6.6	2.1 ^a	1.9	31.3 ^a	28.4
12-17	7.2	7.0	1.8	1.5	25.3 ^a	21.1
18 or Older	6.8	6.5	2.2 ^a	1.9	32.0 ^a	29.2
18-25	14.7 ^a	13.1	7.4 ^a	6.5	50.5	49.5
26 or Older	5.5	5.5	1.3	1.2	24.1	21.4
TRANQUILIZERS OR SEDATIVES	17.2	16.9	2.5	2.4	14.4	13.9
12-17	6.0	5.5	2.0	1.8	32.7	33.6
18 or Older	18.3	18.1	2.5	2.4	13.8	13.3
18-25	13.5 ^a	12.4	5.7 ^a	4.9	42.0	39.1
26 or Older	19.0	19.0	2.0	2.0	10.6	10.6
TRANQUILIZERS	14.0	13.7	2.2	2.1	15.6	15.3
12-17	4.6	4.0	1.8	1.7	40.3	42.2
18 or Older	15.0	14.7	2.2	2.1	14.8	14.5
18-25	11.9 ^a	10.8	5.5 ^a	4.6	45.9	42.5
26 or Older	15.5	15.3	1.7	1.7	10.9	11.4
SEDATIVES	6.2	6.1	0.5	0.4	8.1	6.5
12-17	2.3	2.0	0.3	0.3	13.1	12.6
18 or Older	6.5	6.5	0.5	0.4	7.9	6.3
18-25	3.4	3.1	0.6	0.6	17.3	18.5
26 or Older	7.1	7.1	0.5	0.4	7.2	5.4
BENZODIAZEPINES	11.6	11.2	2.1	2.0	18.0	17.7
12-17	3.4	3.1	1.8	1.6	51.6	52.0
18 or Older	12.4	12.0	2.1	2.0	17.0	16.8
18-25	10.8 ^a	9.5	5.3 ^a	4.5	49.4	47.2
26 or Older	12.7	12.5	1.6	1.6	12.6	13.1

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