

Table 1.43A Any Use of Pain Relievers in Past Year among Persons Aged 12 or Older, by Age Group and Demographic Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands, 2017 and 2018

Demographic Characteristic	Aged 12+ (2017)	Aged 12+ (2018)	Aged 12-17 (2017)	Aged 12-17 (2018)	Aged 18+ (2017)	Aged 18+ (2018)	Aged 18-25 (2017)	Aged 18-25 (2018)	Aged 26+ (2017)	Aged 26+ (2018)
TOTAL	90,799 ^a	86,548	4,346	4,141	86,454 ^a	82,407	10,262 ^a	8,931	76,191 ^a	73,476
GENDER										
Male	40,806 ^a	39,229	2,044	2,038	38,762 ^a	37,191	4,568 ^a	3,878	34,194	33,313
Female	49,993 ^a	47,319	2,302 ^a	2,103	47,691 ^a	45,216	5,694 ^a	5,052	41,997 ^a	40,164
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE										
Not Hispanic or Latino	78,227 ^a	74,247	3,352 ^a	3,068	74,875 ^a	71,179	8,250 ^a	7,145	66,625 ^a	64,034
White	61,125 ^a	57,151	2,352 ^a	2,091	58,773 ^a	55,060	5,941 ^a	5,094	52,832 ^a	49,966
Black or African American	11,330	11,076	643	587	10,687	10,489	1,528 ^a	1,323	9,159	9,166
AIAN	596	606	24	29	572	577	68	58	505	519
NHOPI	476	397	*	*	457	379	*	*	*	*
Asian	2,867	3,051	163	185	2,703	2,867	364	394	2,340	2,472
Two or More Races	1,833	1,967	151	158	1,683	1,809	309 ^a	217	1,373	1,592
Hispanic or Latino	12,572	12,301	993	1,073	11,579	11,228	2,012 ^a	1,786	9,566	9,442
EDUCATION										
< High School	da	da	da	da	10,204	9,678	1,285	1,283	8,920	8,394
High School Graduate	da	da	da	da	20,848	21,422	3,130 ^a	2,737	17,718	18,685
Some College/Associate's Degree	da	da	da	da	30,448	29,254	4,518 ^a	3,735	25,930	25,519
College Graduate	da	da	da	da	24,953 ^a	22,054	1,330	1,176	23,623 ^a	20,878
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT										
Full-Time	da	da	da	da	40,399 ^a	37,687	4,554 ^a	3,813	35,845 ^a	33,874
Part-Time	da	da	da	da	10,683	10,392	2,412	2,251	8,271	8,141
Unemployed	da	da	da	da	3,779	3,336	1,100 ^a	860	2,679	2,477
Other ¹	da	da	da	da	31,592	30,992	2,197	2,007	29,396	28,985

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TOTAL	33.4 ^a	31.6	17.4	16.6	35.0 ^a	33.1	29.9 ^a	26.2	35.8 ^a	34.2
GENDER										
Male	30.9 ^a	29.5	16.1	16.1	32.5 ^a	31.0	26.5 ^a	22.7	33.5	32.3
Female	35.7 ^a	33.6	18.8 ^a	17.2	37.3 ^a	35.1	33.4 ^a	29.8	37.9 ^a	35.9
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE										
Not Hispanic or Latino	34.6 ^a	32.7	17.7 ^a	16.3	36.1 ^a	34.2	30.9 ^a	27.0	36.9 ^a	35.2
White	35.8 ^a	33.5	17.9 ^a	16.1	37.3 ^a	34.9	32.1 ^a	27.9	38.0 ^a	35.8
Black or African American	34.5	33.6	18.9	17.5	36.3	35.5	31.5 ^a	27.9	37.2	36.9
AIAN	41.0	36.4	15.0	18.3	44.1	38.3	31.2	26.1	46.7	40.4
NHOPI	43.0	38.1	*	*	46.0	40.2	*	*	*	*
Asian	18.9	19.5	12.4	12.8	19.5	20.2	17.0	17.4	20.0	20.7
Two or More Races	36.4	38.4	17.8	20.1	40.2	41.8	35.6	28.9	41.4	44.5
Hispanic or Latino	27.5	26.4	16.6	17.6	29.1	27.7	26.5 ^a	23.4	29.7	28.7
EDUCATION										
< High School	da	da	da	da	33.2	31.3	27.8	27.3	34.1	32.0
High School Graduate	da	da	da	da	34.9	34.8	30.1 ^a	26.3	35.9	36.5
Some College/Associate's Degree	da	da	da	da	39.6 ^a	37.9	32.0 ^a	27.6	41.3	40.1
College Graduate	da	da	da	da	31.3 ^a	27.8	25.7 ^a	21.7	31.7 ^a	28.3
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT										
Full-Time	da	da	da	da	32.8 ^a	30.5	31.6 ^a	26.2	33.0 ^a	31.0
Part-Time	da	da	da	da	33.2	32.2	28.0	25.9	35.1	34.6
Unemployed	da	da	da	da	35.6	33.4	31.5	27.8	37.6	35.9
Other ¹	da	da	da	da	38.8	37.4	28.2	26.0	40.0	38.5

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TOTAL	11,077 ^a	9,948	767	695	10,310 ^a	9,253	2,460 ^a	1,858	7,850	7,395
GENDER										
Male	6,018 ^a	5,154	342	298	5,676 ^a	4,856	1,263 ^a	974	4,412	3,882
Female	5,059	4,794	425	397	4,635	4,397	1,197 ^a	884	3,438	3,513
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE										
Not Hispanic or Latino	9,244 ^a	8,304	555	488	8,689 ^a	7,816	1,929 ^a	1,489	6,761	6,327
White	7,481 ^a	6,583	375	341	7,106 ^a	6,242	1,473 ^a	1,109	5,633	5,133
Black or African American	1,136	1,103	121	88	1,015	1,016	304 ^a	219	710	796
AIAN	84	96	4	1	79	94	11	16	69	78
NHOPI	24 ^a	87	*	*	20 ^a	80	*	*	17	57
Asian	273	216	23	34	251	182	59	69	192	113
Two or More Races	246	219	28	18	218	201	79	51	139	150
Hispanic or Latino	1,833	1,644	212	207	1,621	1,437	532 ^a	369	1,089	1,068
EDUCATION										
< High School	da	da	da	da	1,268	1,253	373	355	895	897
High School Graduate	da	da	da	da	2,545	2,549	786 ^a	603	1,759	1,946
Some College/Associate's Degree	da	da	da	da	3,954	3,455	1,063 ^a	709	2,891	2,746
College Graduate	da	da	da	da	2,543 ^a	1,996	238	190	2,306 ^a	1,806
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT										
Full-Time	da	da	da	da	5,484 ^a	4,531	1,082 ^a	808	4,401 ^a	3,722
Part-Time	da	da	da	da	1,444	1,331	593 ^a	419	851	913
Unemployed	da	da	da	da	820	833	316	265	505	569
Other ¹	da	da	da	da	2,562	2,557	469	367	2,093	2,191

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TOTAL	4.1 ^a	3.6	3.1	2.8	4.2 ^a	3.7	7.2 ^a	5.5	3.7	3.4
GENDER										
Male	4.6 ^a	3.9	2.7	2.3	4.8 ^a	4.0	7.3 ^a	5.7	4.3	3.8
Female	3.6	3.4	3.5	3.3	3.6	3.4	7.0 ^a	5.2	3.1	3.1
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE										
Not Hispanic or Latino	4.1 ^a	3.7	2.9	2.6	4.2 ^a	3.8	7.2 ^a	5.6	3.7	3.5
White	4.4 ^a	3.9	2.9	2.6	4.5 ^a	4.0	7.9 ^a	6.1	4.0	3.7
Black or African American	3.5	3.3	3.6	2.6	3.4	3.4	6.3 ^a	4.6	2.9	3.2
AIAN	5.7	5.8	2.6	0.9	6.1	6.3	5.0	7.4	6.4	6.1
NHOPI	2.2 ^a	8.4	*	*	2.0 ^a	8.5	*	*	1.9	7.3
Asian	1.8	1.4	1.7	2.3	1.8	1.3	2.7	3.0	1.6	0.9
Two or More Races	4.9	4.3	3.3	2.3	5.2	4.6	9.1	6.8	4.2	4.2
Hispanic or Latino	4.0	3.5	3.5	3.4	4.1	3.5	7.0 ^a	4.8	3.4	3.2
EDUCATION										
< High School	da	da	da	da	4.1	4.1	8.1	7.6	3.4	3.4
High School Graduate	da	da	da	da	4.3	4.1	7.6 ^a	5.8	3.6	3.8
Some College/Associate's Degree	da	da	da	da	5.1 ^a	4.5	7.5 ^a	5.2	4.6	4.3
College Graduate	da	da	da	da	3.2 ^a	2.5	4.6	3.5	3.1 ^a	2.4
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT										
Full-Time	da	da	da	da	4.5 ^a	3.7	7.5 ^a	5.6	4.1 ^a	3.4
Part-Time	da	da	da	da	4.5	4.1	6.9 ^a	4.8	3.6	3.9
Unemployed	da	da	da	da	7.7	8.3	9.1	8.5	7.1	8.2
Other ¹	da	da	da	da	3.2	3.1	6.0 ^a	4.8	2.8	2.9

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TOTAL	3,239	2,852	214	161	3,024	2,691	634 ^a	475	2,391	2,216
GENDER										
Male	1,760	1,434	95 ^a	45	1,665	1,389	331 ^a	240	1,334	1,149
Female	1,479	1,418	119	116	1,360	1,302	303	234	1,057	1,068
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE										
Not Hispanic or Latino	2,689	2,446	156 ^a	106	2,533	2,340	505 ^a	383	2,028	1,958
White	2,190	1,951	104 ^a	68	2,086	1,884	362	285	1,724	1,599
Black or African American	322	337	32	18	289	319	101	66	188	252
AIAN	21	23	1	1	20	22	4	*	15	18
NHOPI	6	12	*	*	3	6	*	*	*	*
Asian	55	50	7	6	48	44	16	18	32	26
Two or More Races	96	74	9	8	87	66	21	9	65	57
Hispanic or Latino	550	406	58	55	492	350	129	92	363	258
EDUCATION										
< High School	da	da	da	da	357	359	100	105	257	254
High School Graduate	da	da	da	da	745	765	214 ^a	146	531	619
Some College/Associate's Degree	da	da	da	da	1,248	988	280 ^a	187	968	801
College Graduate	da	da	da	da	674	579	40	37	634	542
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT										
Full-Time	da	da	da	da	1,543 ^a	1,218	245	186	1,298	1,032
Part-Time	da	da	da	da	438	463	127	105	311	358
Unemployed	da	da	da	da	312	236	132 ^a	76	180	160
Other ¹	da	da	da	da	732	774	130	107	601	666

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TOTAL	1.2	1.0	0.9	0.6	1.2	1.1	1.8 ^a	1.4	1.1	1.0
GENDER										
Male	1.3	1.1	0.8 ^a	0.4	1.4	1.2	1.9	1.4	1.3	1.1
Female	1.1	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.1	1.0	1.8	1.4	1.0	1.0
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE										
Not Hispanic or Latino	1.2	1.1	0.8 ^a	0.6	1.2	1.1	1.9 ^a	1.4	1.1	1.1
White	1.3	1.1	0.8 ^a	0.5	1.3	1.2	2.0	1.6	1.2	1.1
Black or African American	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.5	1.0	1.1	2.1	1.4	0.8	1.0
AIAN	1.4	1.4	0.6	0.6	1.5	1.5	1.9	*	1.4	1.4
NHOPI	0.6	1.1	*	*	0.3	0.7	*	*	*	*
Asian	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.7	0.8	0.3	0.2
Two or More Races	1.9	1.4	1.1	1.0	2.1	1.5	2.5	1.2	2.0	1.6
Hispanic or Latino	1.2	0.9	1.0	0.9	1.2	0.9	1.7	1.2	1.1	0.8
EDUCATION										
< High School	da	da	da	da	1.2	1.2	2.2	2.2	1.0	1.0
High School Graduate	da	da	da	da	1.2	1.2	2.1 ^a	1.4	1.1	1.2
Some College/Associate's Degree	da	da	da	da	1.6	1.3	2.0 ^a	1.4	1.5	1.3
College Graduate	da	da	da	da	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.9	0.7
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT										
Full-Time	da	da	da	da	1.3 ^a	1.0	1.7	1.3	1.2	0.9
Part-Time	da	da	da	da	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.2	1.3	1.5
Unemployed	da	da	da	da	2.9	2.4	3.8	2.5	2.5	2.3
Other ¹	da	da	da	da	0.9	0.9	1.7	1.4	0.8	0.9

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