

Table 3.5A Perceived That Obtaining Specific Illicit Drugs Would Be Fairly or Very Easy among Persons Aged 12 to 17, by Demographic and Geographic Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands, 2017 and 2018

Demographic/ Geographic Characteristic	Marijuana (2017)	Marijuana (2018)	Cocaine (2017)	Cocaine (2018)	Crack (2017)	Crack (2018)	Heroin (2017)	Heroin (2018)	LSD (2017)	LSD (2018)
TOTAL	11,107	11,086	3,034 ^a	2,790	2,677	2,512	1,995	1,921	2,891	2,767
AGE GROUP										
12-13	1,436	1,494	582	544	611	541	440	422	344	337
14-15	3,881	3,953	947	883	946	867	634	638	881	821
16-17	5,789	5,640	1,506	1,363	1,120	1,103	920	860	1,666	1,610
GENDER										
Male	5,347	5,359	1,225	1,240	1,044	1,096	842	873	1,327	1,325
Female	5,759	5,727	1,809 ^a	1,550	1,633 ^a	1,415	1,152	1,047	1,564	1,443
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE										
Not Hispanic or Latino	8,418	8,349	2,257 ^a	2,062	2,044	1,901	1,548	1,493	2,112	2,068
White	6,098	6,096	1,626	1,503	1,450	1,345	1,123	1,087	1,609	1,598
Black or African American	1,382	1,356	366	346	353	358	263	242	278	239
AIAN	65	46	*	7	12	5	7	5	10	7
NHOPI	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian	436	414	125	110	115	113	80	83	104	124
Two or More Races	406	401	107	90	114 ^a	76	74	72	109	90
Hispanic or Latino	2,688	2,737	778	728	633	611	446	427	778	699
COUNTY TYPE										
Large Metro	6,588	6,324	1,739	1,537	1,480	1,382	1,101	1,029	1,725	1,569
Small Metro	2,966 ^a	3,304	837	889	731	778	528	604	782	857
Nonmetro	1,553	1,458	458 ^a	364	467 ^a	351	366 ^a	288	383	341
Urbanized	691	647	200	167	207	152	157	111	184	158
Less Urbanized	745	686	214	161	213	160	168	143	159	148
Completely Rural	116	124	45	36	47	38	41	33	40	34

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NOTE: Respondents with unknown Perceived Availability data were excluded from the respective analyses.

^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 3.5B Perceived That Obtaining Specific Illicit Drugs Would Be Fairly or Very Easy among Persons Aged 12 to 17, by Demographic and Geographic Characteristics: Percentages, 2017 and 2018

Demographic/ Geographic Characteristic	Marijuana (2017)	Marijuana (2018)	Cocaine (2017)	Cocaine (2018)	Crack (2017)	Crack (2018)	Heroin (2017)	Heroin (2018)	LSD (2017)	LSD (2018)
TOTAL	46.1	46.0	12.8 ^a	11.7	11.3	10.6	8.4	8.1	12.4	11.9
AGE GROUP										
12-13	19.5	20.1	8.0	7.4	8.4	7.4	6.1	5.8	4.9	4.8
14-15	47.0	48.2	11.6	11.0	11.6	10.8	7.8	7.9	11.0	10.4
16-17	68.3	66.7	18.1	16.4	13.5	13.3	11.1	10.4	20.1	19.4
GENDER										
Male	43.5	43.7	10.1	10.3	8.6	9.1	7.0	7.3	11.1	11.2
Female	48.6	48.3	15.5 ^a	13.3	14.1 ^a	12.2	9.9	9.0	13.7	12.6
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE										
Not Hispanic or Latino	45.9	45.9	12.5	11.5	11.3	10.7	8.6	8.4	11.9	11.8
White	48.0	48.5	13.0	12.1	11.6	10.9	9.0	8.8	13.1	13.2
Black or African American	42.4	42.0	11.4	10.9	11.0	11.3	8.2	7.7	8.7	7.6
AIAN	42.4	30.6	*	4.8	7.7	3.6	4.4	3.6	6.5	5.0
NHOPI	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian	34.2	29.9	9.9	8.2	9.2	8.5	6.4	6.2	8.5	9.7
Two or More Races	49.4	52.2	13.2	11.8	14.2	10.1	9.1	9.6	13.7	12.0
Hispanic or Latino	46.4	46.4	13.6	12.5	11.1	10.5	7.8	7.3	13.9	12.1
COUNTY TYPE										
Large Metro	47.0	47.0	12.6	11.6	10.7	10.5	8.0	7.8	12.7	12.1
Small Metro	44.5	45.8	12.7	12.4	11.2	10.9	8.1	8.5	12.2	12.2
Nonmetro	45.1	42.8	13.5 ^a	10.9	13.8 ^a	10.5	10.8 ^a	8.6	11.5	10.3
Urbanized	47.2	46.7	13.8	12.3	14.3	11.2	10.8	8.2	13.0	11.9
Less Urbanized	43.8	41.2	12.7	9.8	12.7	9.8	10.1	8.7	9.7	9.2
Completely Rural	42.2	34.9	16.5	10.4	17.1	11.0	14.9	9.6	14.5	9.9

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