

Table 4.4B Past Year Initiation of Substance Use among Persons Aged 12 or Older, Persons Aged 12 or Older at Risk for Initiation of Substance Use, and Past Year Substance Users Aged 12 or Older: Numbers in Thousands and Percentages, 2018 and 2019

Substance	Number of Past Year Initiates (1,000s)		Percentage of Past Year Initiates		Percentage of Past Year Initiates among Persons at Risk for Initiation		Percentage of Past Year Initiates among Past Year Users	
	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019
ILLICIT DRUGS	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Marijuana	3,061 ^a	3,478	1.1 ^a	1.3	2.0 ^a	2.3	7.0	7.2
Cocaine	874 ^a	671	0.3 ^a	0.2	0.4 ^a	0.3	15.8 ^a	12.3
Crack	101	92	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	13.3	11.8
Heroin	117 ^a	50	0.0 ^a	0.0	0.0 ^a	0.0	14.5 ^a	6.7
Hallucinogens	1,116	1,221	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	19.9	20.3
LSD	778	883	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	33.5	35.8
PCP	14	30	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	*	*
Ecstasy	722	744	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	28.7	29.3
Inhalants	576 ^a	730	0.2 ^a	0.3	0.2 ^a	0.3	28.8	34.1
Methamphetamine	205	184	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	11.0	9.2
Misuse of Psychotherapeutics	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Pain Relievers	1,908	1,607	0.7	0.6	nr	nr	19.2	16.5
Stimulants	1,001	901	0.4	0.3	nr	nr	19.6	18.3
Tranquilizers or Sedatives	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Tranquilizers	1,210 ^a	949	0.4 ^a	0.3	nr	nr	21.1	18.2
Sedatives	251	239	0.1	0.1	nr	nr	23.2	21.8
Benzodiazepines	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Opioids	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Illicit Drugs Other Than Marijuana ¹	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
CIGARETTES	1,825 ^a	1,595	0.7 ^a	0.6	1.5 ^a	1.3	3.2	2.9
Daily Cigarette Use	495	488	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	--	--
SMOKELESS TOBACCO	918	1,041	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	8.4	9.1
CIGARS	2,274	2,114	0.8	0.8	1.2	1.1	9.9	9.5
ALCOHOL	4,878	4,879	1.8	1.8	8.5	8.2	2.7	2.7

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NOTE: Methodological limitations preclude the estimation of past year initiates for aggregate substance use categories having at least one prescription psychotherapeutic, including categories for overall illicit drugs, misuse of psychotherapeutics, tranquilizers or sedatives, opioids, and illicit drugs other than marijuana (see Section 3.4.2 in Chapter 3 of the *2019 National Survey on Drug Use and Health: Methodological Summary and Definitions*).

^a The difference between this estimate and the 2019 estimate is statistically significant at the .05 level. Rounding may make the estimates appear identical.

¹ Illicit Drugs Other Than Marijuana excludes respondents who used only marijuana but includes those who used marijuana in addition to other illicit drugs.

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, 2018 and 2019.

Table 4.5B Past Year Initiation of Substance Use among Persons Aged 12 to 17, Persons Aged 12 to 17 at Risk for Initiation of Substance Use, and Past Year Substance Users Aged 12 to 17: Numbers in Thousands and Percentages, 2018 and 2019

Substance	Number of Past Year Initiates (1,000s)		Percentage of Past Year Initiates		Percentage of Past Year Initiates among Persons at Risk for Initiation		Percentage of Past Year Initiates among Past Year Users	
	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019
ILLICIT DRUGS	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Marijuana	1,339	1,351	5.4	5.4	6.0	6.1	43.1	41.1
Cocaine	74	59	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	*	*
Crack	4	11	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	*	*
Heroin	7	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	*	*
Hallucinogens	234	281	0.9	1.1	1.0	1.1	62.1	64.0
LSD	142 ^a	205	0.6 ^a	0.8	0.6 ^a	0.8	69.4	73.6
PCP	5	16	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	*	*
Ecstasy	105	116	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.5	*	*
Inhalants	308	381	1.2	1.5	1.3	1.7	46.5	51.3
Methamphetamine	31	25	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	*	*
Misuse of Psychotherapeutics	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Pain Relievers	310	245	1.2	1.0	nr	nr	44.6	43.2
Stimulants	181	238	0.7	1.0	nr	nr	49.1	55.3
Tranquilizers or Sedatives	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Tranquilizers	215	185	0.9	0.7	nr	nr	51.0	47.2
Sedatives	36	23	0.1	0.1	nr	nr	*	*
Benzodiazepines	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Opioids	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Illicit Drugs Other Than Marijuana ¹	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
CIGARETTES	571	541	2.3	2.2	2.5	2.3	41.8	40.6
Daily Cigarette Use	63	74	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	--	--
SMOKELESS TOBACCO	307	337	1.2	1.4	1.3	1.4	49.1	54.3
CIGARS	493	442	2.0	1.8	2.0	1.8	53.1	49.3
ALCOHOL	2,380	2,259	9.6	9.1	11.5	11.0	45.9	42.8

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¹ Illicit Drugs Other Than Marijuana excludes respondents who used only marijuana but includes those who used marijuana in addition to other illicit drugs.

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Source: SAMHSA, Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2018 and 2019.

Table 4.6B Past Year Initiation of Substance Use among Persons Aged 18 or Older, Persons Aged 18 or Older at Risk for Initiation of Substance Use, and Past Year Substance Users Aged 18 or Older: Numbers in Thousands and Percentages, 2018 and 2019

Substance	Number of Past Year Initiates (1,000s)		Percentage of Past Year Initiates		Percentage of Past Year Initiates among Persons at Risk for Initiation		Percentage of Past Year Initiates among Past Year Users	
	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019
ILLICIT DRUGS	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Marijuana	1,722 ^a	2,127	0.7 ^a	0.8	1.3 ^a	1.6	4.3	4.7
Cocaine	799 ^a	612	0.3 ^a	0.2	0.4 ^a	0.3	14.8 ^a	11.4
Crack	97	80	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	12.9	10.5
Heroin	110 ^a	50	0.0 ^a	0.0	0.0 ^a	0.0	13.8	6.7
Hallucinogens	882	940	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	16.9	16.9
LSD	636	678	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	30.1	31.0
PCP	*	15	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	*
Ecstasy	617	629	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	25.9	26.2
Inhalants	269	349	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	20.1	25.0
Methamphetamine	174	159	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	9.5	8.1
Misuse of Psychotherapeutics	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Pain Relievers	1,598	1,362	0.6	0.5	nr	nr	17.3	14.9
Stimulants	820	663	0.3	0.3	nr	nr	17.3	14.7
Tranquilizers or Sedatives	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Tranquilizers	995 ^a	764	0.4 ^a	0.3	nr	nr	18.7	15.8
Sedatives	216	216	0.1	0.1	nr	nr	21.1	21.2
Benzodiazepines	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Opioids	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Illicit Drugs Other Than Marijuana ¹	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
CIGARETTES	1,254 ^a	1,054	0.5 ^a	0.4	1.3 ^a	1.0	2.2	1.9
Daily Cigarette Use	433	415	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	--	--
SMOKELESS TOBACCO	611	704	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	5.9	6.5
CIGARS	1,781	1,673	0.7	0.7	1.1	1.0	8.1	7.8
ALCOHOL	2,498	2,620	1.0	1.0	6.8	6.8	1.4	1.5

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Table 4.7B Past Year Initiation of Substance Use among Persons Aged 18 to 25, Persons Aged 18 to 25 at Risk for Initiation of Substance Use, and Past Year Substance Users Aged 18 to 25: Numbers in Thousands and Percentages, 2018 and 2019

Substance	Number of Past Year Initiates (1,000s)		Percentage of Past Year Initiates		Percentage of Past Year Initiates among Persons at Risk for Initiation		Percentage of Past Year Initiates among Past Year Users	
	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019
ILLICIT DRUGS	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Marijuana	1,197	1,240	3.5	3.7	6.8	7.1	10.1	10.4
Cocaine	616 ^a	476	1.8 ^a	1.4	2.0 ^a	1.6	31.3	26.6
Crack	36	17	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	*	*
Heroin	35	19	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	*	*
Hallucinogens	632	681	1.9	2.0	2.2	2.4	27.1	28.1
LSD	468	460	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	39.4	38.3
PCP	8	15	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	*	*
Ecstasy	460	448	1.4	1.3	1.5	1.5	43.3	41.2
Inhalants	210	250	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	42.5	43.4
Methamphetamine	68	63	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	24.9	22.9
Misuse of Psychotherapeutics	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Pain Relievers	464	404	1.4	1.2	nr	nr	25.0	23.0
Stimulants	517 ^a	364	1.5 ^a	1.1	nr	nr	23.4 ^a	18.7
Tranquilizers or Sedatives	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Tranquilizers	434 ^a	329	1.3	1.0	nr	nr	27.7	25.1
Sedatives	73	39	0.2	0.1	nr	nr	*	*
Benzodiazepines	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Opioids	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Illicit Drugs Other Than Marijuana ¹	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
CIGARETTES	1,141 ^a	964	3.4 ^a	2.9	5.8 ^a	4.8	12.0	11.1
Daily Cigarette Use	353 ^a	235	1.0 ^a	0.7	1.2 ^a	0.8	--	--
SMOKELESS TOBACCO	414	424	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.5	17.2	16.4
CIGARS	1,246	1,154	3.7	3.4	5.2	4.7	21.4	21.0
ALCOHOL	2,436	2,415	7.2	7.2	26.0	25.3	9.8	9.9

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Table 4.8B Past Year Initiation of Substance Use among Persons Aged 26 or Older, Persons Aged 26 or Older at Risk for Initiation of Substance Use, and Past Year Substance Users Aged 26 or Older: Numbers in Thousands and Percentages, 2018 and 2019

Substance	Number of Past Year Initiates (1,000s)		Percentage of Past Year Initiates		Percentage of Past Year Initiates among Persons at Risk for Initiation		Percentage of Past Year Initiates among Past Year Users	
	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019
ILLICIT DRUGS	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Marijuana	525 ^a	887	0.2 ^a	0.4	0.5 ^a	0.8	1.8 ^a	2.7
Cocaine	184	135	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	5.3	3.8
Crack	61	63	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.2	*
Heroin	75	31	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	11.7	4.7
Hallucinogens	250	259	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	8.7	8.2
LSD	169	219	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	18.1	22.1
PCP	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Ecstasy	157	180	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	11.9	13.8
Inhalants	58	99	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	6.9	12.1
Methamphetamine	106	96	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	6.8	5.7
Misuse of Psychotherapeutics	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Pain Relievers	1,134	958	0.5	0.4	nr	nr	15.3	12.9
Stimulants	302	299	0.1	0.1	nr	nr	12.0	11.7
Tranquilizers or Sedatives	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Tranquilizers	560	435	0.3	0.2	nr	nr	14.9	12.4
Sedatives	143	176	0.1	0.1	nr	nr	17.3	21.0
Benzodiazepines	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Opioids	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Illicit Drugs Other Than Marijuana ¹	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
CIGARETTES	113	90	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2
Daily Cigarette Use	80 ^a	180	0.0 ^a	0.1	0.1 ^a	0.1	--	--
SMOKELESS TOBACCO	197	280	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	2.5	3.4
CIGARS	535	518	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.4	3.3	3.3
ALCOHOL	63 ^a	205	0.0 ^a	0.1	0.2 ^a	0.7	0.0 ^a	0.1

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