

**Table 6.5A Source Where Pain Relievers Were Obtained for Most Recent Misuse among Past Year Misusers Aged 12 or Older, by Age Group:  
Numbers in Thousands, 2018 and 2019**

Source for Most Recent Misuse among Past Year Misusers of Pain Relievers	Aged 12+ (2018)	Aged 12+ (2019)	Aged 12-17 (2018)	Aged 12-17 (2019)	Aged 18+ (2018)	Aged 18+ (2019)	Aged 18-25 (2018)	Aged 18-25 (2019)	Aged 26+ (2018)	Aged 26+ (2019)
<b>GOT THROUGH PRESCRIPTION(S) OR STOLE FROM A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER</b>	3,493	3,420	205	171	3,288	3,249	428	485	2,860	2,764
Prescription from One Doctor	3,223	3,249	185	147	3,038	3,102	401	437	2,637	2,665
Prescriptions from More Than One Doctor	187	98	14	18	174 <sup>a</sup>	81	17	28	157 <sup>a</sup>	53
Stole from Doctor's Office, Clinic, Hospital, or Pharmacy	83	73	7	7	76	66	10	20	67	46
<b>GIVEN BY, BOUGHT FROM, OR TOOK FROM A FRIEND OR RELATIVE</b>	4,765	4,627	288	239	4,477	4,388	1,083 <sup>a</sup>	892	3,394	3,496
From Friend or Relative for Free	3,586	3,373	199	145	3,387	3,228	742 <sup>a</sup>	612	2,645	2,616
Bought from Friend or Relative	883	837	39	44	843	793	215	174	629	619
Took from Friend or Relative without Asking	297	417	50	50	247	367	127	106	120 <sup>a</sup>	261
<b>BOUGHT FROM DRUG DEALER OR OTHER STRANGER</b>	609	565	43	25	566	540	162	138	404	402
<b>SOME OTHER WAY<sup>1</sup></b>	423	500	46	31	377	469	84	106	293	363

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

**Table 6.5B Source Where Pain Relievers Were Obtained for Most Recent Misuse among Past Year Misusers Aged 12 or Older, by Age Group: Percentages, 2018 and 2019**

Source for Most Recent Misuse among Past Year Misusers of Pain Relievers	Aged 12+ (2018)	Aged 12+ (2019)	Aged 12-17 (2018)	Aged 12-17 (2019)	Aged 18+ (2018)	Aged 18+ (2019)	Aged 18-25 (2018)	Aged 18-25 (2019)	Aged 26+ (2018)	Aged 26+ (2019)
<b>GOT THROUGH PRESCRIPTION(S) OR STOLE FROM A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER</b>	37.6	37.5	35.3	36.7	37.8	37.6	24.3 <sup>a</sup>	29.9	41.1	39.3
Prescription from One Doctor	34.7	35.7	31.7	31.5	34.9	35.9	22.9	26.9	37.9	37.9
Prescriptions from More Than One Doctor	2.0	1.1	2.4	3.8	2.0 <sup>a</sup>	0.9	0.9	1.7	2.3 <sup>a</sup>	0.7
Stole from Doctor's Office, Clinic, Hospital, or Pharmacy	0.9	0.8	1.2	1.4	0.9	0.8	0.6	1.2	1.0	0.7
<b>GIVEN BY, BOUGHT FROM, OR TOOK FROM A FRIEND OR RELATIVE</b>	51.3	50.8	49.5	51.3	51.4	50.8	61.6 <sup>a</sup>	55.0	48.8	49.8
From Friend or Relative for Free	38.6	37.0	34.2	31.1	38.9	37.3	42.2	37.8	38.1	37.2
Bought from Friend or Relative	9.5	9.2	6.7	9.4	9.7	9.2	12.2	10.7	9.0	8.8
Took from Friend or Relative without Asking	3.2	4.6	8.6	10.7	2.8	4.2	7.2	6.5	1.7 <sup>a</sup>	3.7
<b>BOUGHT FROM DRUG DEALER OR OTHER STRANGER</b>	6.5	6.2	7.3	5.4	6.5	6.2	9.2	8.5	5.8	5.7
<b>SOME OTHER WAY<sup>1</sup></b>	4.6	5.5	7.9	6.6	4.3	5.4	4.8	6.5	4.2	5.2

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**Table 6.7A Source Where Stimulants Were Obtained for Most Recent Misuse among Past Year Misusers Aged 12 or Older, by Age Group: Numbers in Thousands, 2018 and 2019**

Source for Most Recent Misuse among Past Year Misusers of Stimulants	Aged 12+ (2018)	Aged 12+ (2019)	Aged 12-17 (2018)	Aged 12-17 (2019)	Aged 18+ (2018)	Aged 18+ (2019)	Aged 18-25 (2018)	Aged 18-25 (2019)	Aged 26+ (2018)	Aged 26+ (2019)
<b>GOT THROUGH PRESCRIPTION(S) OR STOLE FROM A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER</b>	632	702	65	89	567	613	207	209	360	404
Prescription from One Doctor	591	671	49	75	542	596	197	203	345	393
Prescriptions from More Than One Doctor	38	28	14	14	25	14	10	5	14	9
Stole from Doctor's Office, Clinic, Hospital, or Pharmacy	3	3	3	*	*	3	*	1	*	2
<b>GIVEN BY, BOUGHT FROM, OR TOOK FROM A FRIEND OR RELATIVE</b>	3,889	3,607	244	281	3,645	3,327	1,715 <sup>a</sup>	1,476	1,931	1,850
From Friend or Relative for Free	2,634	2,521	128 <sup>a</sup>	200	2,506	2,320	1,057	896	1,449	1,425
Bought from Friend or Relative	1,122	955	82	51	1,041	904	621	524	419	380
Took from Friend or Relative without Asking	132	131	34	29	99	102	37	56	62	46
<b>BOUGHT FROM DRUG DEALER OR OTHER STRANGER</b>	296	294	27	31	268	263	155	122	114	142
<b>SOME OTHER WAY<sup>1</sup></b>	101	162	6	4	95	157	60	69	34	89

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**Table 6.7B Source Where Stimulants Were Obtained for Most Recent Misuse among Past Year Misusers Aged 12 or Older, by Age Group: Percentages, 2018 and 2019**

Source for Most Recent Misuse among Past Year Misusers of Stimulants	Aged 12+ (2018)	Aged 12+ (2019)	Aged 12-17 (2018)	Aged 12-17 (2019)	Aged 18+ (2018)	Aged 18+ (2019)	Aged 18-25 (2018)	Aged 18-25 (2019)	Aged 26+ (2018)	Aged 26+ (2019)
<b>GOT THROUGH PRESCRIPTION(S) OR STOLE FROM A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER</b>	12.8	14.7	19.0	22.0	12.4	14.1	9.7	11.1	14.7	16.3
Prescription from One Doctor	12.0	14.1	14.3	18.6	11.8	13.7	9.2	10.8	14.2	15.8
Prescriptions from More Than One Doctor	0.8	0.6	4.0	3.4	0.5	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.6	0.4
Stole from Doctor's Office, Clinic, Hospital, or Pharmacy	0.1	0.1	0.7	*	*	0.1	*	0.0	*	0.1
<b>GIVEN BY, BOUGHT FROM, OR TOOK FROM A FRIEND OR RELATIVE</b>	79.1	75.7	71.3	69.3	79.7	76.3	80.2	78.7	79.2	74.5
From Friend or Relative for Free	53.6	52.9	37.5 <sup>a</sup>	49.5	54.8	53.2	49.5	47.8	59.4	57.3
Bought from Friend or Relative	22.8	20.0	23.9 <sup>a</sup>	12.6	22.7	20.7	29.1	27.9	17.2	15.3
Took from Friend or Relative without Asking	2.7	2.7	9.9	7.2	2.2	2.3	1.7	3.0	2.5	1.8
<b>BOUGHT FROM DRUG DEALER OR OTHER STRANGER</b>	6.0	6.2	8.0	7.6	5.9	6.0	7.2	6.5	4.7	5.7
<b>SOME OTHER WAY<sup>1</sup></b>	2.1	3.4	1.8	1.1	2.1	3.6	2.8	3.7	1.4	3.6

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**Table 6.9A Source Where Tranquilizers Were Obtained for Most Recent Misuse among Past Year Misusers Aged 12 or Older, by Age Group:  
Numbers in Thousands, 2018 and 2019**

Source for Most Recent Misuse among Past Year Misusers of Tranquilizers	Aged 12+ (2018)	Aged 12+ (2019)	Aged 12-17 (2018)	Aged 12-17 (2019)	Aged 18+ (2018)	Aged 18+ (2019)	Aged 18-25 (2018)	Aged 18-25 (2019)	Aged 26+ (2018)	Aged 26+ (2019)
<b>GOT THROUGH PRESCRIPTION(S) OR STOLE FROM A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER</b>	1,123	1,193	39	34	1,084	1,160	104	133	980	1,027
Prescription from One Doctor	1,077	1,122	31	24	1,046	1,097	98	111	949	986
Prescriptions from More Than One Doctor	33	62	5	*	28	59	6	18	22	41
Stole from Doctor's Office, Clinic, Hospital, or Pharmacy	13	10	3	*	10	4	1	4	9	*
<b>GIVEN BY, BOUGHT FROM, OR TOOK FROM A FRIEND OR RELATIVE</b>	3,711 <sup>a</sup>	3,082	219	220	3,492 <sup>a</sup>	2,862	1,101 <sup>a</sup>	878	2,391 <sup>a</sup>	1,984
From Friend or Relative for Free	2,688 <sup>a</sup>	2,271	135	150	2,553 <sup>a</sup>	2,120	730 <sup>a</sup>	586	1,822	1,534
Bought from Friend or Relative	825	620	64	54	760	567	313 <sup>a</sup>	230	447	336
Took from Friend or Relative without Asking	198	191	20	16	179	175	57	62	122	114
<b>BOUGHT FROM DRUG DEALER OR OTHER STRANGER</b>	528	482	100	86	428	396	242	179	186	217
<b>SOME OTHER WAY<sup>1</sup></b>	194	217	25	20	169	197	53	72	116	126

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Source for Most Recent Misuse among Past Year Misusers of Tranquilizers	Aged 12+ (2018)	Aged 12+ (2019)	Aged 12-17 (2018)	Aged 12-17 (2019)	Aged 18+ (2018)	Aged 18+ (2019)	Aged 18-25 (2018)	Aged 18-25 (2019)	Aged 26+ (2018)	Aged 26+ (2019)
<b>GOT THROUGH PRESCRIPTION(S) OR STOLE FROM A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER</b>	20.2	24.0	10.1	9.3	21.0	25.1	7.0	10.5	26.7	30.6
Prescription from One Doctor	19.4	22.5	8.1	6.8	20.2	23.8	6.5	8.8	25.8	29.4
Prescriptions from More Than One Doctor	0.6	1.2	1.3	*	0.5	1.3	0.4	1.4	0.6	1.2
Stole from Doctor's Office, Clinic, Hospital, or Pharmacy	0.2	0.2	0.7	*	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.2	*
<b>GIVEN BY, BOUGHT FROM, OR TOOK FROM A FRIEND OR RELATIVE</b>	66.8	62.0	57.3	61.2	67.5	62.0	73.4	69.6	65.1	59.2
From Friend or Relative for Free	48.4	45.6	35.4	41.9	49.3	45.9	48.7	46.5	49.6	45.7
Bought from Friend or Relative	14.8	12.5	16.8	14.9	14.7	12.3	20.9	18.2	12.2	10.0
Took from Friend or Relative without Asking	3.6	3.8	5.2	4.4	3.5	3.8	3.8	4.9	3.3	3.4
<b>BOUGHT FROM DRUG DEALER OR OTHER STRANGER</b>	9.5	9.7	26.2	23.9	8.3	8.6	16.1	14.2	5.1	6.5
<b>SOME OTHER WAY<sup>1</sup></b>	3.5	4.4	6.5	5.5	3.3	4.3	3.5	5.7	3.2	3.7

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**Table 6.11A Source Where Sedatives Were Obtained for Most Recent Misuse among Past Year Misusers Aged 12 or Older, by Age Group: Numbers in Thousands, 2018 and 2019**

Source for Most Recent Misuse among Past Year Misusers of Sedatives	Aged 12+ (2018)	Aged 12+ (2019)	Aged 12-17 (2018)	Aged 12-17 (2019)	Aged 18+ (2018)	Aged 18+ (2019)	Aged 18-25 (2018)	Aged 18-25 (2019)	Aged 26+ (2018)	Aged 26+ (2019)
<b>GOT THROUGH PRESCRIPTION(S) OR STOLE FROM A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER</b>	337	404	*	*	324	394	*	*	298	364
Prescription from One Doctor	313	398	*	*	301	390	*	*	279	362
Prescriptions from More Than One Doctor	21	4	*	*	21	4	*	*	18	2
Stole from Doctor's Office, Clinic, Hospital, or Pharmacy	3	2	*	*	3	*	*	*	*	*
<b>GIVEN BY, BOUGHT FROM, OR TOOK FROM A FRIEND OR RELATIVE</b>	637	623	*	*	596	570	*	*	471	454
From Friend or Relative for Free	581	491	*	*	550	466	*	*	441	374
Bought from Friend or Relative	32	71	*	*	29	64	*	*	19	46
Took from Friend or Relative without Asking	25	61	*	*	17	40	*	*	12	34
<b>BOUGHT FROM DRUG DEALER OR OTHER STRANGER</b>	26	23	*	*	20	20	*	*	10	*
<b>SOME OTHER WAY<sup>1</sup></b>	38	14	*	*	36	11	*	*	20	1

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**Table 6.11B Source Where Sedatives Were Obtained for Most Recent Misuse among Past Year Misusers Aged 12 or Older, by Age Group: Percentages, 2018 and 2019**

Source for Most Recent Misuse among Past Year Misusers of Sedatives	Aged 12+ (2018)	Aged 12+ (2019)	Aged 12-17 (2018)	Aged 12-17 (2019)	Aged 18+ (2018)	Aged 18+ (2019)	Aged 18-25 (2018)	Aged 18-25 (2019)	Aged 26+ (2018)	Aged 26+ (2019)
<b>GOT THROUGH PRESCRIPTION(S) OR STOLE FROM A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER</b>	32.5	38.0	*	*	33.2	39.6	*	*	37.3	43.8
Prescription from One Doctor	30.2	37.5	*	*	30.8	39.2	*	*	35.0	43.6
Prescriptions from More Than One Doctor	2.1	0.4	*	*	2.2	0.4	*	*	2.3	0.2
Stole from Doctor's Office, Clinic, Hospital, or Pharmacy	0.2	0.2	*	*	0.3	*	*	*	*	*
<b>GIVEN BY, BOUGHT FROM, OR TOOK FROM A FRIEND OR RELATIVE</b>	61.4	58.6	*	*	61.0	57.3	*	*	59.0	54.7
From Friend or Relative for Free	56.0	46.2	*	*	56.3	46.8	*	*	55.2	45.1
Bought from Friend or Relative	3.1	6.7	*	*	3.0	6.5	*	*	2.3	5.6
Took from Friend or Relative without Asking	2.4	5.7	*	*	1.7	4.1	*	*	1.5	4.1
<b>BOUGHT FROM DRUG DEALER OR OTHER STRANGER</b>	2.5	2.1	*	*	2.0	2.0	*	*	1.2	*
<b>SOME OTHER WAY<sup>1</sup></b>	3.6	1.3	*	*	3.7	1.1	*	*	2.5 <sup>a</sup>	0.1

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