

Table 7.62A Classified as Needing Substance Use Treatment in Past Year among Persons Aged 12 or Older, by Age Group: Numbers in Thousands, 2015-2019

Substance for Which Treatment Was Needed/Age Group	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
ILLCIT DRUGS	8,428	8,111 ^a	8,240 ^a	8,743	9,114
12-17	884	807	766 ^a	711 ^a	911
18 or Older	7,545	7,304 ^a	7,473 ^a	8,031	8,204
18-25	2,631	2,520	2,587	2,664	2,570
26 or Older	4,914 ^a	4,784 ^a	4,886 ^a	5,368	5,633
ALCOHOL	16,402 ^a	15,581	15,254	15,519	15,267
12-17	643 ^a	512	469	423	422
18 or Older	15,760	15,070	14,785	15,096	14,845
18-25	3,909 ^a	3,750 ^a	3,522 ^a	3,501 ^a	3,190
26 or Older	11,851	11,320	11,263	11,595	11,655
ILLCIT DRUGS OR ALCOHOL¹	21,664	20,959	20,707	21,245	21,550
12-17	1,266	1,085	1,033	946 ^a	1,140
18 or Older	20,398	19,874	19,674	20,299	20,410
18-25	5,422 ^a	5,343 ^a	5,170 ^a	5,215 ^a	4,843
26 or Older	14,976	14,531	14,504 ^a	15,083	15,567

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Table 7.62B Classified as Needing Substance Use Treatment in Past Year among Persons Aged 12 or Older, by Age Group: Percentages, 2015-2019

Substance for Which Treatment Was Needed/Age Group	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
ILLCIT DRUGS	3.1	3.0 ^a	3.0 ^a	3.2	3.3
12-17	3.5	3.2	3.1 ^a	2.9 ^a	3.7
18 or Older	3.1	3.0 ^a	3.0	3.2	3.3
18-25	7.5	7.3	7.5	7.8	7.6
26 or Older	2.4	2.3 ^a	2.3 ^a	2.5	2.6
ALCOHOL	6.1 ^a	5.8	5.6	5.7	5.5
12-17	2.6 ^a	2.1	1.9	1.7	1.7
18 or Older	6.5 ^a	6.2	6.0	6.1	5.9
18-25	11.2 ^a	10.8 ^a	10.3	10.3	9.5
26 or Older	5.7	5.4	5.3	5.4	5.4
ILLCIT DRUGS OR ALCOHOL¹	8.1	7.8	7.6	7.8	7.8
12-17	5.1	4.4	4.1	3.8 ^a	4.6
18 or Older	8.4	8.1	8.0	8.2	8.2
18-25	15.5 ^a	15.5 ^a	15.1	15.3 ^a	14.4
26 or Older	7.2	6.9	6.8	7.0	7.2

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Table 7.63A Receipt of Substance Use Treatment at a Specialty Facility in Past Year among Persons Aged 12 or Older Classified as Needing Substance Use Treatment, by Age Group: Numbers in Thousands, 2015-2019

Substance for Which Treatment Was Needed and Was or Was Not Received/Age Group	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
RECEIVED TREATMENT					
ILLICIT DRUGS	1,541	1,406	1,674	1,392	1,624
12-17	63	64	56	80	53
18 or Older	1,478	1,343	1,618	1,312	1,572
18-25	296	259	319 ^a	201	231
26 or Older	1,182	1,084	1,299	1,111	1,341
ALCOHOL	1,352	1,208	1,362	1,387	1,444
12-17	37	48 ^a	39	26	19
18 or Older	1,315	1,160	1,323	1,361	1,425
18-25	210	175	214	180	186
26 or Older	1,105	985	1,109	1,181	1,239
ILLICIT DRUGS OR ALCOHOL¹	2,346	2,229 ^a	2,530	2,359	2,640
12-17	80	89	91	83	68
18 or Older	2,266	2,140 ^a	2,440	2,276	2,572
18-25	417	383	441	331	357
26 or Older	1,849	1,756 ^a	1,999	1,946	2,214
DID NOT RECEIVE TREATMENT					
ILLICIT DRUGS	6,887	6,705 ^a	6,566 ^a	7,351	7,490
12-17	820	743	710 ^a	631 ^a	858
18 or Older	6,067	5,961 ^a	5,856 ^a	6,720	6,632
18-25	2,335	2,261	2,268	2,463	2,339
26 or Older	3,732 ^a	3,700 ^a	3,588 ^a	4,257	4,293
ALCOHOL	15,050 ^a	14,374	13,892	14,132	13,823
12-17	605 ^a	464	429	396	403
18 or Older	14,445 ^a	13,910	13,462	13,736	13,420
18-25	3,699 ^a	3,575 ^a	3,308	3,322 ^a	3,004
26 or Older	10,747	10,335	10,154	10,414	10,416
ILLICIT DRUGS OR ALCOHOL	19,318	18,730	18,176	18,885	18,910
12-17	1,186	996	942	863 ^a	1,072
18 or Older	18,133	17,734	17,234	18,022	17,838
18-25	5,005 ^a	4,959 ^a	4,730	4,885 ^a	4,485
26 or Older	13,127	12,775	12,504	13,137	13,353

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RECEIVED TREATMENT					
ILLICIT DRUGS	18.3	17.3	20.3	15.9	17.8
12-17	7.2	7.9	7.3	11.3 ^a	5.8
18 or Older	19.6	18.4	21.6	16.3	19.2
18-25	11.2	10.3	12.3 ^a	7.6	9.0
26 or Older	24.1	22.7	26.6	20.7	23.8
ALCOHOL	8.2	7.8	8.9	8.9	9.5
12-17	5.8	9.4 ^a	8.4	6.2	4.6
18 or Older	8.3	7.7	8.9	9.0	9.6
18-25	5.4	4.7	6.1	5.1	5.8
26 or Older	9.3	8.7	9.8	10.2	10.6
ILLICIT DRUGS OR ALCOHOL¹	10.8	10.6	12.2	11.1	12.2
12-17	6.3	8.2	8.8	8.8	6.0
18 or Older	11.1	10.8 ^a	12.4	11.2	12.6
18-25	7.7	7.2	8.5	6.3	7.4
26 or Older	12.3	12.1	13.8	12.9	14.2
DID NOT RECEIVE TREATMENT					
ILLICIT DRUGS	81.7	82.7	79.7	84.1	82.2
12-17	92.8	92.1	92.7	88.7 ^a	94.2
18 or Older	80.4	81.6	78.4	83.7	80.8
18-25	88.8	89.7	87.7 ^a	92.4	91.0
26 or Older	75.9	77.3	73.4	79.3	76.2
ALCOHOL	91.8	92.2	91.1	91.1	90.5
12-17	94.2	90.6 ^a	91.6	93.8	95.4
18 or Older	91.7	92.3	91.1	91.0	90.4
18-25	94.6	95.3	93.9	94.9	94.2
26 or Older	90.7	91.3	90.2	89.8	89.4
ILLICIT DRUGS OR ALCOHOL	89.2	89.4	87.8	88.9	87.8
12-17	93.7	91.8	91.2	91.2	94.0
18 or Older	88.9	89.2 ^a	87.6	88.8	87.4
18-25	92.3	92.8	91.5	93.7	92.6
26 or Older	87.7	87.9	86.2	87.1	85.8

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