

Table 61. Use of selected substances in the past month among persons 12 years of age and over, by age, sex, race, and Hispanic origin: United States, selected years 2002-2009

(Data are based on household interviews of a sample of the civilian noninstitutionalized population 12 years of age and over)

Age, sex, race, and Hispanic origin	Any illicit drug <sup>1</sup>				Marijuana				Nonmedical use of any psychotherapeutic drug <sup>2</sup>			
	2002	2007	2008	2009	2002	2007	2008	2009	2002	2007	2008	2009
	Percent of population											
12 years and over.....	8.3	8.0	8.0	8.7	6.2	5.8	6.1	6.6	2.7	2.8	2.5	2.8
Age												
12-13 years.....	4.2	3.3	3.3	3.6	1.4	0.9	1.0	0.8	1.7	1.4	1.5	1.6
14-15 years.....	11.2	8.9	8.6	9.0	7.6	5.7	5.7	6.3	4.0	3.4	3.0	3.3
16-17 years.....	19.8	16.0	15.2	16.7	15.7	13.1	12.7	14.0	6.3	4.9	4.0	4.3
18-25 years.....	20.2	19.7	19.6	21.2	17.3	16.4	16.5	18.1	5.5	6.0	5.9	6.3
26-34 years.....	10.5	10.9	11.2	12.3	7.7	7.9	8.8	9.6	3.7	3.5	3.2	3.8
35 years and over.....	4.6	4.6	4.7	4.9	3.1	3.0	3.2	3.4	1.6	1.9	1.6	1.7
Sex												
Male.....	10.3	10.4	9.9	10.8	8.1	8.0	7.9	8.6	2.8	3.2	2.6	3.1
Female.....	6.4	5.8	6.3	6.6	4.4	3.8	4.4	4.8	2.6	2.3	2.4	2.4
Age and sex												
12-17 years.....	11.6	9.5	9.3	10.0	8.2	6.7	6.7	7.3	4.0	3.3	2.9	3.1
Male.....	12.3	10.0	9.5	10.6	9.1	7.5	7.3	8.3	3.6	3.0	2.5	2.8
Female.....	10.9	9.1	9.1	9.4	7.2	5.8	6.0	6.3	4.4	3.5	3.3	3.5
Hispanic origin and race <sup>3</sup>												
Not Hispanic or Latino:												
White only.....	8.5	8.2	8.2	8.8	6.5	6.0	6.2	6.8	2.8	3.0	2.8	3.0
Black or African American only.....	9.7	9.5	10.1	9.6	7.4	7.2	8.3	7.8	2.0	2.2	1.8	2.0
American Indian or Alaska Native only.....	10.1	12.6	9.5	18.3	6.7	7.9	8.2	10.6	3.2	4.5	3.0	6.2
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander only.....	7.9	*	7.3	*	4.4	2.8	5.5	4.3	3.8	*	1.7	*
Asian only.....	3.5	4.2	3.6	3.7	1.8	2.6	2.0	2.4	0.7	1.5	1.0	1.4
2 or more races.....	11.4	11.8	14.7	14.3	9.0	10.4	13.1	12.2	3.5	4.1	2.7	3.4
Hispanic or Latino.....	7.2	6.6	6.2	7.9	4.3	4.5	4.2	5.8	2.9	2.3	1.8	2.4
Alcohol use												
Binge alcohol use <sup>4</sup>												
Heavy alcohol use <sup>5</sup>												
Percent of population												
12 years and over.....	51.0	51.1	51.6	51.9	22.9	23.3	23.3	23.7	6.7	6.9	6.9	6.8
Age												
12-13 years.....	4.3	3.5	3.4	3.5	1.8	1.5	1.5	1.6	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.2
14-15 years.....	16.6	14.7	13.1	13.0	9.2	7.8	6.9	7.0	1.9	1.4	1.1	1.4
16-17 years.....	32.6	29.0	26.2	26.3	21.4	19.4	17.2	17.0	5.6	5.4	4.4	4.5
18-25 years.....	60.5	61.2	61.2	61.8	40.9	41.8	41.0	41.7	14.9	14.7	14.5	13.7
26-34 years.....	61.4	62.6	63.5	64.3	33.1	35.1	36.4	36.3	9.0	9.7	10.6	10.1
35 years and over.....	52.1	52.2	52.8	52.7	18.6	18.9	18.8	19.2	5.2	5.3	5.3	5.3
Sex												
Male.....	57.4	56.6	57.7	57.6	31.2	31.7	31.6	31.6	10.8	10.6	10.6	10.3
Female.....	44.9	46.0	45.9	46.5	15.1	15.4	15.4	16.1	3.0	3.3	3.4	3.5
Age and sex												
12-17 years.....	17.6	15.9	14.6	14.7	10.7	9.7	8.8	8.8	2.5	2.3	2.0	2.1
Male.....	17.4	15.9	14.2	15.1	11.4	10.6	8.9	9.6	3.1	2.8	2.3	2.3
Female.....	17.9	16.0	15.0	14.3	9.9	8.8	8.7	8.0	1.9	1.8	1.6	1.9
Hispanic origin and race <sup>3</sup>												
Not Hispanic or Latino:												
White only.....	55.0	56.1	56.2	56.7	23.4	24.6	24.0	24.8	7.5	7.8	7.7	7.9
Black or African American only.....	39.9	39.3	41.9	42.8	21.0	19.1	20.4	19.8	4.4	4.1	5.6	4.5
American Indian or Alaska Native only.....	44.7	44.7	43.3	37.1	27.9	28.2	24.4	22.2	8.7	11.6	5.7	8.3
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander only.....	*	*	*	*	25.2	*	*	*	8.3	*	3.5	3.6
Asian only.....	37.1	35.2	37.0	37.6	12.4	12.6	11.9	11.1	2.6	2.6	2.4	1.5
2 or more races.....	49.9	47.5	47.5	47.6	19.8	23.2	22.0	24.1	7.5	7.3	7.4	6.4
Hispanic or Latino.....	42.8	42.1	43.2	41.7	24.8	23.4	25.6	25.0	5.9	5.5	5.7	5.2
Any tobacco <sup>6</sup>												
Cigarettes												
Cigars												
Percent of population												
Age, sex, race, and Hispanic origin	2002	2007	2008	2009	2002	2007	2008	2009	2002	2007	2008	2009

12 years and over.....	30.4	28.6	28.4	27.7	26.0	24.2	23.9	23.3	5.4	5.4	5.3	5.3
Age												
12-13 years.....	3.8	2.4	2.5	2.3	3.2	1.8	2.1	1.4	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.7
14-15 years.....	13.4	10.8	9.7	9.8	11.2	8.4	7.6	7.5	3.8	3.4	3.1	3.1
16-17 years.....	29.0	23.4	21.1	21.6	24.9	18.9	16.8	16.9	9.3	8.4	7.3	7.7
18-25 years.....	45.3	41.8	41.4	41.6	40.8	36.2	35.7	35.8	11.0	11.8	11.3	11.4
26-34 years.....	38.2	38.6	38.3	39.6	32.7	33.4	33.6	34.0	6.6	7.1	7.2	7.4
35 years and over.....	27.9	26.2	26.1	24.5	23.4	22.0	21.6	20.4	4.1	3.8	3.8	3.7
Sex												
Male.....	37.0	35.2	34.5	33.5	28.7	27.1	26.3	25.3	9.4	9.1	9.0	8.7
Female.....	24.3	22.4	22.5	22.2	23.4	21.5	21.7	21.4	1.7	1.8	1.7	2.0
Age and sex												
12-17 years.....	15.2	12.4	11.4	11.6	13.0	9.8	9.1	8.9	4.5	4.2	3.8	4.0
Male.....	16.0	14.1	12.6	13.6	12.3	10.0	9.0	9.2	6.2	6.0	5.3	5.2
Female.....	14.4	10.6	10.2	9.5	13.6	9.7	9.2	8.6	2.7	2.4	2.2	2.7
Hispanic origin and race <sup>3</sup>												
Not Hispanic or Latino:												
White only.....	32.0	30.7	30.4	29.6	26.9	25.6	25.2	24.5	5.5	5.5	5.3	5.2
Black or African American only.....	28.8	26.8	28.6	26.5	25.3	23.2	24.8	22.8	6.8	6.7	7.0	7.2
American Indian or Alaska Native only.....	44.3	41.8	48.7	41.8	37.1	34.4	44.1	33.0	5.2	8.4	5.6	6.9
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander only.....												
Asian only.....	28.8	*	*	*	*	*	*	15.4	4.1	*	2.2	*
2 or more races.....	18.6	15.4	13.9	11.9	17.7	14.2	11.9	10.9	1.1	1.5	1.2	1.5
Hispanic or Latino.....	38.1	35.2	37.3	36.6	35.0	29.9	32.2	30.7	5.5	7.9	7.2	7.7
Hispanic or Latino.....	25.2	22.7	21.3	23.2	23.0	20.5	19.4	21.2	5.0	4.2	4.5	4.7

\*Estimates are considered unreliable. Data not shown if the relative standard error is greater than 17.5% of the log transformation of the proportion, the minimum effective sample size is less than 68, the minimum nominal sample size is less than 100, or the prevalence is close to 0% or 100%.

<sup>1</sup>Any illicit drug includes marijuana/hashish, cocaine (including crack), heroin, hallucinogens (including LSD and PCP), inhalants, or any prescription-type psychotherapeutic drug used nonmedically. See Appendix II, Illicit drug use.

<sup>2</sup>Nonmedical use of prescription-type psychotherapeutic drugs includes the nonmedical use of pain relievers, tranquilizers, stimulants, or sedatives and does not include over-the-counter drugs.

Special questions on methamphetamine were added in 2005 and 2006. Data for years prior to 2007 have been adjusted for comparability.

<sup>3</sup>Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race. Race and Hispanic origin were collected using the 1997 Revisions to the Standards for the Classification of Federal Data on Race and Ethnicity.

Single-race categories shown include persons who reported only one racial group. The category 2 or more races includes persons who reported more than one racial group. See Appendix II, Hispanic origin; Race.

<sup>4</sup>Binge alcohol use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion on at least 1 day in the past 30 days. Occasion is defined as at the same time or within a couple of hours of each other.

See Appendix II, Alcohol consumption; Binge drinking.

<sup>5</sup>Heavy alcohol use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion on each of 5 or more days in the past 30 days. By definition, all heavy alcohol users are also binge alcohol users.

<sup>6</sup>Any tobacco product includes cigarettes, smokeless tobacco (i.e., chewing tobacco or snuff), cigars, or pipe tobacco. See Appendix II, Cigarette smoking.

NOTES: The National Survey on Drug Use & Health (NSDUH), formerly called the National Household Survey on Drug Abuse (NHSDA), began a new baseline in 2002 and cannot be compared with previous years.

Because of methodological differences among the National Survey on Drug Use & Health, the Monitoring the Future Study (MTF), and the Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS), rates of substance use measured by these surveys are not directly comparable. See Appendix I, MTF, NSDUH, and YRBS. See Appendix II, Substance use. Data for additional years are available. See Appendix III.

SOURCE: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality, National Survey on Drug Use & Health. Available from: <http://oas.samhsa.gov/nsduh.htm>.

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