Reference Tools

To assist a user in locating a specific table of interest within the *Results from the 2012 National Survey on Drug Use and Health: Detailed Tables*, reference tools have been developed. Note that the following tools are provided solely for guidance when examining the 2012 detailed tables because there are no hyperlinks within these tools that lead directly to the detailed tables:

- a key to selected variables;
- Key Definitions for the 2012 Detailed Tables and National Findings Report (i.e., the glossary);
- List of Tables: Prevalence Estimates and Sample Sizes - Table Types A, B, and N; and
- List of Tables: Standard Errors and P Values - Table Types C, D, and P.

Hyperlinks that lead directly to the tables can be found under the "Tables" bookmark. How to locate a table by selecting the "Tables" bookmark is explained in the "Locating a Table" section of the introduction.

*Using the Key to Selected Variables.* The key to selected variables defines key topics (e.g., demographics) used throughout the 2012 detailed tables. For example, a user interested in information about the prevalence of illicit drug use by level of education can first review the key to selected variables and see that education is categorized as a demographic characteristic. Next, a user can determine, by looking at the bookmarks for the subject matter sections, that tables pertaining to illicit drug use can be found in Section 1: Illicit Drug Use Tables. By selecting this bookmark, the user will be taken to the table index for the illicit drug use tables. Now the user can scan the links to learn that data on the prevalence of illicit drug use by demographic characteristics are located in the group of tables numbered 1.19 to 1.23. Selecting the link to the left of the table numbers will take the user directly to the first table in the specified group where the user then can scroll through the tables to locate the table(s) pertaining to the prevalence of illicit drug use by level of education (Tables 1.21 to 1.23).

*Using the Key Definitions for the 2012 Detailed Tables and National Findings Report.* The glossary defines and cross-references key measures used in the 2012 detailed tables and the 2012 national findings report. For example, a user interested in information about the prevalence of alcohol use measures by demographic characteristics can first review the alcohol use entry in the glossary to see a cross-reference of additional selected alcohol use measures included in the detailed tables or national findings report. After reviewing the definitions for the various measures, the user can select measures of interest (e.g., "binge use of alcohol"). Next, a user can determine, by looking at the bookmarks for the subject matter sections, that tables pertaining to alcohol use can be found in Section 2: Tobacco Product and Alcohol Use Tables. By selecting this bookmark, the user will be taken to the table index for tobacco product and alcohol use tables. Now the user can scan the links to learn that data on the prevalence of alcohol use by demographics are located in the group of tables numbered 2.37 to 2.46. Selecting the link to the
left of the table numbers will take the user directly to the first table in the specified group where the user can scroll through the tables to locate the table(s) pertaining to the prevalence of "binge use of alcohol" by demographic characteristics (Tables 2.42 to 2.46).

Using the List of Tables. The list of tables for both prevalence estimates and sample sizes (table types A, B, and N) and standard errors and p values (table types C, D, and P) can be used to identify a specific table for one of the subject matter sections. For example, a user interested in information about the prevalence of past month illicit drug use among youths aged 12 or 13 can review the list of tables in Section 1: Illicit Drug Use Tables and identify Table 1.2B as the table of interest.