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**Table 21 Selected Drug Use, Perceptions of Great Risk, Average Annual Marijuana Initiates, Past Year Substance Dependence or Abuse, Needing But Not Receiving Treatment, and Past Year Mental Health Measures in Colorado, by Age Group: Estimated Numbers (in Thousands), Annual Averages Based on 2013-2014 NSDUHs**

Measure	12+	12-17	18-25	26+	18+
<b>ILLICIT DRUGS</b>					
Past Month Illicit Drug Use <sup>1</sup>	737	60	195	483	678
Past Year Marijuana Use	909	85	253	571	824
Past Month Marijuana Use	654	51	180	423	603
Past Month Use of Illicit Drugs Other Than Marijuana <sup>1</sup>	184	14	45	125	170
Past Year Cocaine Use	112	4	42	67	109
Past Year Nonmedical Pain Reliever Use	216	23	54	140	193
Perception of Great Risk from Smoking Marijuana Once a Month	790	70	48	672	720
Average Annual Number of Marijuana Initiates <sup>2,3</sup>	55	28	22	5	27
<b>ALCOHOL</b>					
Past Month Alcohol Use	2,698	58	388	2,251	2,640
Past Month Binge Alcohol Use <sup>4</sup>	1,121	28	239	854	1,092
Perception of Great Risk from Drinking Five or More Drinks Once or Twice a Week	1,600	143	150	1,307	1,457
Past Month Alcohol Use (Individuals Aged 12 to 20)	167 <sup>5</sup>	--	--	--	--
Past Month Binge Alcohol Use (Individuals Aged 12 to 20) <sup>4</sup>	98 <sup>5</sup>	--	--	--	--
<b>TOBACCO PRODUCTS</b>					
Past Month Tobacco Product Use <sup>6</sup>	1,128	37	235	856	1,091
Past Month Cigarette Use	866	25	187	655	842
Perception of Great Risk from Smoking One or More Packs of Cigarettes per Day	3,188	260	384	2,545	2,928
<b>PAST YEAR DEPENDENCE, ABUSE, AND TREATMENT<sup>7</sup></b>					
Illicit Drug Dependence <sup>1</sup>	84	9	31	44	76
Illicit Drug Dependence or Abuse <sup>1</sup>	128	18	45	64	110
Alcohol Dependence	141	5	32	104	137
Alcohol Dependence or Abuse	329	14	81	234	315
Alcohol or Illicit Drug Dependence or Abuse <sup>1</sup>	415	26	106	283	389
Needing But Not Receiving Treatment for Illicit Drug Use <sup>1,8</sup>	113	17	42	54	96
Needing But Not Receiving Treatment for Alcohol Use <sup>8</sup>	304	13	76	215	291
<b>PAST YEAR MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES</b>					
Major Depressive Episode <sup>3,9</sup>	--	48	48	202	250
Serious Mental Illness <sup>3,10</sup>	--	--	25	123	148
Any Mental Illness <sup>3,10</sup>	--	--	122	588	710
Had Serious Thoughts of Suicide <sup>11</sup>	--	--	43	115	158

-- Not available.

NOTE: Estimates are based on a survey-weighted hierarchical Bayes estimation approach.

<sup>1</sup> Illicit Drugs include marijuana/hashish, cocaine (including crack), heroin, hallucinogens, inhalants, or prescription-type psychotherapeutics used nonmedically. Illicit Drugs Other Than Marijuana include cocaine (including crack), heroin, hallucinogens, inhalants, or prescription-type psychotherapeutics used nonmedically. These estimates include data from original methamphetamine questions but do not include new methamphetamine items added in 2005 and 2006.

<sup>2</sup> Average annual number of marijuana initiates =  $X_1 \div 2$ , where  $X_1$  is the number of marijuana initiates in the past 24 months.

<sup>3</sup> For details, see Section B of the "2011-2012 NSDUH: Guide to State Tables and Summary of Small Area Estimation Methodology" at <http://www.samhsa.gov/data/>.

<sup>4</sup> Binge Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion (i.e., at the same time or within a couple of hours of each other) on at least 1 day in the past 30 days.

<sup>5</sup> Underage drinking is defined for individuals aged 12 to 20; therefore, the "12+" estimate reflects that age group and not individuals aged 12 or older.

<sup>6</sup> Tobacco Products include cigarettes, smokeless tobacco (i.e., chewing tobacco or snuff), cigars, or pipe tobacco.

<sup>7</sup> Dependence or abuse is based on definitions found in the 4th edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders* (DSM-IV).

<sup>8</sup> Needing But Not Receiving Treatment refers to respondents classified as needing treatment for illicit drugs (or alcohol), but not receiving treatment for an illicit drug (or alcohol) problem at a specialty facility (i.e., drug and alcohol rehabilitation facilities [inpatient or outpatient], hospitals [inpatient only], or mental health centers).

<sup>9</sup> Major depressive episode (MDE) is defined as in the 4th edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders* (DSM-IV), which specifies a period of at least 2 weeks when an individual experienced a depressed mood or loss of interest or pleasure in daily activities and had a majority of specified depression symptoms. There are minor wording differences in the questions in the adult and adolescent MDE modules. Therefore, data from youths aged 12 to 17 were not combined with data from adults aged 18 or older to produce an estimate for those aged 12 or older.

<sup>10</sup> Mental Illness is defined as having a diagnosable mental, behavioral, or emotional disorder, other than a developmental or substance use disorder, assessed by the Mental Health Surveillance Study (MHSS) *Structured Clinical Interview for the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders—Fourth Edition—Research Version—Axis I Disorders* (MHSS-SCID), which is based on the 4th edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders* (DSM-IV). Three categories of mental illness severity are defined based on the level of functional impairment: mild mental illness, moderate mental illness, and serious mental illness (SMI). Any mental illness (AMI) includes individuals in any of the three categories.

<sup>11</sup> Respondents were asked, "At any time in the past 12 months, did you seriously think about trying to kill yourself?" If they answered "Yes," they were categorized as having serious thoughts of suicide in the past year.

Source: SAMHSA, Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2013 and 2014.

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**Table 22 Selected Drug Use, Perceptions of Great Risk, Average Annual Incidence Estimates of First Use of Marijuana, Past Year Substance Dependence or Abuse, Needing But Not Receiving Treatment, and Past Year Mental Health Measures in Colorado, by Age Group: Percentages, Annual Averages Based on 2013-2014 NSDUHs**

Measure	12+	12-17	18-25	26+	18+
<b>ILLICIT DRUGS</b>					
Past Month Illicit Drug Use <sup>1</sup>	16.82	14.58	33.84	14.21	17.06
Past Year Marijuana Use	20.74	20.81	43.95	16.80	20.74
Past Month Marijuana Use	14.93	12.56	31.24	12.45	15.17
Past Month Use of Illicit Drugs Other Than Marijuana <sup>1</sup>	4.21	3.44	7.84	3.68	4.28
Past Year Cocaine Use	2.57	0.89	7.25	1.97	2.74
Past Year Nonmedical Pain Reliever Use	4.93	5.54	9.34	4.11	4.87
Perception of Great Risk from Smoking Marijuana Once a Month	17.99	17.04	8.39	19.76	18.09
Average Annual Incidence Estimates of First Use of Marijuana <sup>2,3</sup>	3.04	9.13	10.19	0.39	1.77
<b>ALCOHOL</b>					
Past Month Alcohol Use	61.56	14.25	67.46	66.24	66.42
Past Month Binge Alcohol Use <sup>4</sup>	25.57	6.93	41.46	25.12	27.48
Perception of Great Risk from Drinking Five or More Drinks Once or Twice a Week	36.50	34.90	26.12	38.46	36.66
Past Month Alcohol Use (Individuals Aged 12 to 20)	26.95 <sup>5</sup>	--	--	--	--
Past Month Binge Alcohol Use (Individuals Aged 12 to 20) <sup>4</sup>	15.85 <sup>5</sup>	--	--	--	--
<b>TOBACCO PRODUCTS</b>					
Past Month Tobacco Product Use <sup>6</sup>	25.73	8.94	40.85	25.19	27.46
Past Month Cigarette Use	19.77	6.04	32.45	19.27	21.18
Perception of Great Risk from Smoking One or More Packs of Cigarettes per Day	72.75	63.62	66.63	74.88	73.68
<b>PAST YEAR DEPENDENCE, ABUSE, AND TREATMENT<sup>7</sup></b>					
Illicit Drug Dependence <sup>1</sup>	1.93	2.19	5.46	1.30	1.90
Illicit Drug Dependence or Abuse <sup>1</sup>	2.91	4.42	7.83	1.90	2.76
Alcohol Dependence	3.22	1.15	5.64	3.06	3.44
Alcohol Dependence or Abuse	7.50	3.35	14.13	6.88	7.93
Alcohol or Illicit Drug Dependence or Abuse <sup>1</sup>	9.47	6.44	18.41	8.32	9.78
Needing But Not Receiving Treatment for Illicit Drug Use <sup>1,8</sup>	2.58	4.11	7.30	1.60	2.42
Needing But Not Receiving Treatment for Alcohol Use <sup>8</sup>	6.94	3.10	13.24	6.33	7.33
<b>PAST YEAR MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES</b>					
Major Depressive Episode <sup>3,9</sup>	--	11.68	8.38	5.93	6.29
Serious Mental Illness <sup>3,10</sup>	--	--	4.35	3.62	3.73
Any Mental Illness <sup>3,10</sup>	--	--	21.24	17.31	17.87
Had Serious Thoughts of Suicide <sup>11</sup>	--	--	7.52	3.37	3.97

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<sup>2</sup> Average annual initiation of marijuana (%) =  $100 * \{ [X_1 \div (0.5 * X_1 + X_2)] \div 2 \}$ , where  $X_1$  is the number of marijuana initiates in the past 24 months and  $X_2$  is the number of individuals who never used marijuana (with the at-risk population defined as  $0.5 * X_1 + X_2$ ). Both of the computation components,  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ , are based on a survey-weighted hierarchical Bayes estimation approach. The age group shown is based on a respondent's age at the time of the interview, not his or her age at first use.

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