

2011 State Profile — Colorado

National Survey of Substance Abuse Treatment Services (N-SSATS)

The National Survey of Substance Abuse Treatment Services (N-SSATS) is an annual survey of facilities providing substance abuse treatment. It is conducted by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). N-SSATS is designed to collect data on the location, characteristics, services offered, and number of clients in treatment at alcohol and drug abuse treatment facilities (both public and private) throughout the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and other U.S. jurisdictions.

More information on N-SSATS methodology is available at the following URL:

<http://www.samhsa.gov/data/2k3/NSSATS/NSSATS.pdf>

In Colorado, 448 substance abuse treatment facilities were included in the 2011 N-SSATS, reporting that there were 38,927 clients in substance abuse treatment on March 31, 2011. The survey response rate in Colorado was 90.2%.

Facility Operation

	Facilities		Clients in Treatment on March 31, 2011			
			All Clients		Clients Under Age 18	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Private non-profit	167	37.3	13,648	35.1	1,058	40.9
Private for-profit	248	55.4	21,363	54.9	1,284	49.7
Local, county, or community government	9	2.0	904	2.3	50	1.9
State government	17	3.8	2,084	5.4	167	6.5
Federal government	6	1.3	792	2.0	0	0.0
Dept. of Veterans Affairs	4	0.9	432	1.1	0	0.0
Dept. of Defense	2	0.4	360	0.9	0	0.0
Indian Health Service	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Other	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Tribal government	1	0.2	136	0.3	26	1.0
Total	448	100.0	38,927	100.0	2,585	100.0

Primary Focus of Facility

	Facilities		Clients in Treatment on March 31, 2011			
			All Clients		Clients Under Age 18	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Substance abuse treatment services	228	50.9	21,598	55.5	843	32.6
Mental health services	34	7.6	1,611	4.1	103	4.0
Mix of mental health & substance abuse treatment services	173	38.6	14,860	38.2	1,590	61.5
General health care	5	1.1	249	0.6	13	0.5
Other/unknown	8	1.8	609	1.6	36	1.4
Total	448	100.0	38,927	100.0	2,585	100.0

Substance Abuse Problem Treated

	Facilities ^{1,2}		Clients in Treatment on March 31, 2011			
			Clients ³		Clients per 100,000 Pop. Aged 18 or Older	
	No.	%	No.	%		
Clients with both alcohol and drug abuse	379	94.0	15,150	38.9	359	
Clients with drug abuse only	312	77.4	8,267	21.2	197	
Clients with alcohol abuse only	362	89.8	15,509	39.8	379	
Total²	403		38,927	100.0	935	

¹ Facilities may be included in more than one category.

³ Sum of individual items may not agree with the total due to rounding.

² Facilities excluded because they were not asked or did not respond to this question:

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Type of Care	Clients in Treatment on March 31, 2011						
	Facilities ¹		All Clients			Clients Under Age 18	
	No.	%	No.	%	Median No. of Clients Per Facility	No.	%
Outpatient	408	91.1	37,060	95.2	58	2,334	90.3
Regular	399	89.1	31,784	81.7	49		
Intensive	221	49.3	2,267	5.8	3		
Day treatment/partial hospitalization	19	4.2	496	1.3	8		
Detoxification	17	3.8	133	0.3	0		
Methadone maintenance	11	2.5	2,380	6.1	226		
Residential (non-hospital)	62	13.8	1,795	4.6	19	243	9.4
Short term	28	6.3	339	0.9	10		
Long term	41	9.2	1,090	2.8	18		
Detoxification	21	4.7	366	0.9	8		
Hospital Inpatient	9	2.0	72	0.2	4	8	0.3
Treatment	6	1.3	42	0.1	4		
Detoxification	7	1.6	30	0.1	2		
Total	448		38,927	100.0	53	2,585	100.0

¹Facilities may provide more than one type of care.

Opioid Treatment Programs (OTPs)		
	No.	%
Facilities with OTPs¹	11	0.9
Clients in Facilities with OTPs		
Methadone	2,369	97.9
Buprenorphine	50	2.1
Total	2,419	100.0

¹Percentage of all OTP facilities that are in this State or jurisdiction.

Facility Payment Options		
	Facilities ¹	
	No.	%
Cash or self-payment	434	96.9
Private health insurance	202	45.1
Medicare	67	15.0
Medicaid	200	44.6
Other State-financed health insurance	90	20.1
Federal military insurance	104	23.2
Access to Recovery (ATR) vouchers ²	231	51.6
Accepts HIS/638 contract care funds	8	1.8
No payment accepted	6	1.3
Accepts other payments	8	1.8
Sliding fee scale	341	76.1
Treatment at no charge for clients who cannot pay	149	33.3

¹Facilities may accept more than one type of payment.

²Available only in AK, AZ, CA, CO, CT, DC, FL, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, LA, MI, MO, MT, NJ, NM, OH, OK, RI, TN, TX, WA, WI, WY.

N/A - Not applicable.

Facility Licensing, Certification, or Accreditation		
	Facilities ¹	
	No.	%
Any listed agency/organization	440	98.2
State substance abuse agency	432	96.4
State mental health department	176	39.3
State department of health	147	32.8
Hospital licensing authority	13	2.9
The Joint Commission	29	6.5
CARF ²	16	3.6
NCQA ³	10	2.2
COA ⁴	11	2.5
Other State/Local Agency/Org	18	4.0

¹Facilities may be licensed by more than one agency/organization.

²Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities

³National Committee for Quality Assurance

⁴Council on Accreditation

Facility Funding		
	Facilities	
	No.	%
Receives Federal, State, county, or local government funds for substance abuse treatment programs	240	53.6

Types of Services Offered

	Facilities	
	No.	%
Assessment and Pre-Treatment Services	443	98.9
Screening for substance abuse	429	95.8
Screening for mental health disorders	297	66.3
Comprehensive substance abuse assessment or diagnosis	401	89.5
Comprehensive mental health assessment or diagnosis	203	45.3
Screening for tobacco use	211	47.1
Outreach to persons in the community who may need treatment	220	49.1
Interim services for clients when immediate admission is not possible	216	48.2
Testing	393	87.7
Breathalyzer or blood alcohol testing	367	81.9
Drug or alcohol urine screening	344	76.8
Screening for Hepatitis B	110	24.6
Screening for Hepatitis C	117	26.1
HIV testing	48	10.7
STD testing	38	8.5
TB screening	109	24.3
Counseling	448	100.0
Individual counseling	440	98.2
Group counseling	437	97.5
Family counseling	334	74.6
Marital/couples counseling	293	65.4
Transitional Services	423	94.4
Discharge planning	412	92.0
Aftercare/continuing care	351	78.3
Pharmacotherapies	274	61.2
Medications for psychiatric disorders	113	25.2
Nicotine replacement	67	15.0
Campral [®]	104	23.2
Antabuse [®]	222	49.6
Naltrexone (oral)	123	27.5
Vivitrol [®] (injectable Naltrexone)	64	14.3
Buprenorphine	54	12.1
Subutex [®] or generic	26	5.8
Suboxone [®]	53	11.8
Methadone	26	5.8
Non-nicotine smoking/tobacco cessation medications	49	10.9
Ancillary Services	439	98.0
Case management services	341	76.1
Social skills development	287	64.1
Mentoring/peer support	208	46.4
Child care for clients' children	23	5.1
Assistance with obtaining social services	148	33.0
Employment counseling or training for clients	135	30.1
Assistance in locating housing for clients	135	30.1
Domestic violence	164	36.6
Early intervention for HIV	59	13.2
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Types of Services Offered (cont.)

	Facilities	
	No.	%
HIV or AIDS education, counseling, or support	150	33.5
Hepatitis education, counseling, or support	117	26.1
Health education other than HIV/AIDS or hepatitis	118	26.3
Substance abuse education	425	94.9
Transportation assistance to treatment	97	21.7
Mental health services	269	60.0
Acupuncture	20	4.5
Residential beds for clients' children	8	1.8
Self-help groups	110	24.6
Smoking cessation counseling	124	27.7

Clinical/Therapeutic Approaches Used Always or Often or Sometimes

	Facilities	
	No.	%
Substance abuse counseling	443	98.9
Relapse prevention	431	96.2
Cognitive-behavioral therapy	430	96.0
12-step facilitation	224	50.0
Motivational interviewing	402	89.7
Anger management	368	82.1
Brief intervention	294	65.6
Contingency management/motivational incentives	245	54.7
Trauma-related counseling	311	69.4
Rational emotive behavioral therapy (REBT)	160	35.7
Matrix model	164	36.6
Community reinforcement plus vouchers	120	26.8
Other treatment approaches	84	18.8

Facility Capacity and Utilization Rate¹

	Hospital	
	Residential	Inpatient
Number of facilities	53	5
Number of clients ²	1,624	64
Number of designated beds	1,529	82
Utilization rate (%)	106.2	78.0
No. of designated beds/facility (avg.)	29	16

¹ Excludes facilities not reporting both client counts and number of beds, facilities whose client counts were reported by another facility, facilities that included client counts from other facilities, and facilities that did not respond to this question.

² Number of clients on March 31, 2011.

Programs for Special Groups

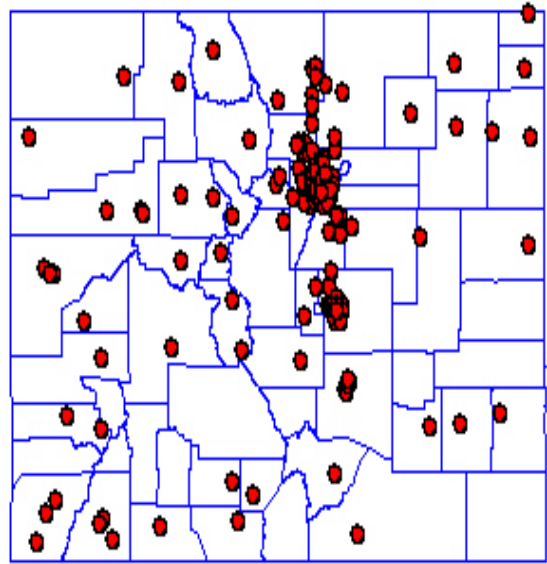
	Facilities	
	No.	%
Any program or group	422	94.2
Co-occurring disorders	179	40.0
Adult women	147	32.8
Adolescents	170	37.9
DUI/DWI offenders	305	68.1
Criminal justice clients	234	52.2
Adult men	116	25.9
Pregnant or postpartum women	58	12.9
Persons with HIV or AIDS	33	7.4
Seniors or older adults	36	8.0
Lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgender clients (LGBT)	42	9.4
Other groups	54	12.1

Services in Sign Language for the Hearing Impaired and in Languages Other than English

	No.	%
Hearing impaired/sign language	79	17.6
Any language other than English	139	31.0
Non-English Language Provided by:		
On-call interpreter only	8	5.8
Staff counselor only	89	64.0
Both staff counselor and on-call interpreter	42	30.2
Languages Provided by Staff Counselor:¹		
Spanish	128	97.7
American Indian/Alaska Native languages	0	0.0
Other	15	11.5

¹ Percentages based on the number of facilities reporting that they provided substance abuse treatment in a language other than English by a staff counselor only or by both staff counselors and on-call interpreters.

Location of Treatment Facilities



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Access the latest N-SSATS reports at:
<http://www.samhsa.gov/data/DASIS.aspx#N-SSATS>

Access the latest N-SSATS public use files at:
<http://www.datafiles.samhsa.gov>

Other substance abuse reports are available at:
<http://www.samhsa.gov/data/>



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• Access N-SSATS profiles for individual States at:
<http://www.dasis.samhsa.gov/webt/NewMapv1.htm>

• For information on individual facilities, access SAMHSA's
 Treatment Facility Locator at:
<http://findtreatment.samhsa.gov/>