

Table 7.36A Past Year Initiation of Substance Use among Persons Aged 12 or Older: Numbers in Thousands, 2002-2010

Substance	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
ILLICIT DRUGS^{1,2}	2,656 ^a	2,627 ^a	2,784	2,908	2,789	2,670 ^a	2,885	3,115	2,970
Marijuana and Hashish	2,196 ^a	1,973 ^b	2,142 ^a	2,114 ^a	2,063 ^b	2,090 ^b	2,208	2,361	2,426
Cocaine	1,032 ^b	986 ^b	998 ^b	872 ^b	977 ^b	906 ^b	722	617	637
Crack	337 ^b	269 ^b	215 ^b	230 ^b	245 ^b	352 ^b	205 ^b	94	83
Heroin	117	92	118	108	91	106	114	180	140
Hallucinogens	1,152	886 ^b	934 ^b	953 ^b	1,116	1,064	1,127	1,269	1,229
LSD	338	200 ^b	235 ^b	243 ^b	264 ^a	270 ^a	394	337	377
PCP	123 ^b	105 ^b	106 ^b	77	69	58	53	45	45
Ecstasy	1,206 ^b	642 ^b	607 ^b	615 ^b	860	781 ^a	894	1,110	937
Inhalants	849	871	857	877	783	775	729	813	793
Nonmedical Use of Psychotherapeutics ^{2,3}	2,552	2,583	2,836 ^a	2,526	2,576	2,532	2,512	2,567	2,417
Pain Relievers	2,320 ^a	2,456 ^b	2,422 ^b	2,193	2,150	2,147	2,176	2,179	2,004
OxyContin [®]	--	--	615	526	533	554	478	584	598
Tranquilizers	1,184	1,071	1,180	1,286	1,112	1,232	1,127	1,226	1,238
Stimulants ²	783 ^a	715	793	647	845 ^a	642	599	702	624
Sedatives	209	194	240	247	267	198	181	186	252
ILLICIT DRUGS OTHER THAN MARIJUANA^{1,2}	2,569	2,523	2,664	2,768	2,719	2,563	2,693	2,803	2,651
CIGARETTES	1,940 ^b	1,983 ^b	2,122 ^a	2,282	2,449	2,231	2,418	2,527	2,384
Daily Cigarette Use ⁴	1,016	1,064	1,101	965	1,051	984	942	1,125 ^a	952
SMOKELESS TOBACCO	951 ^b	928 ^b	999 ^b	1,134 ^b	1,329	1,297	1,398	1,462	1,412
CIGARS	2,858	2,736	3,058	3,349 ^b	3,061	3,076	2,884	3,135	2,925
ALCOHOL	3,942 ^b	4,082 ^b	4,396	4,274 ^a	4,381	4,559	4,466	4,560	4,673

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Source: SAMHSA, Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality (formerly the Office of Applied Studies), National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002-2010.

Table 7.36B Past Year Initiation of Substance Use among Persons Aged 12 or Older: Percentages, 2002-2010

Substance	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
ILLCIT DRUGS^{1,2}	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2
Marijuana and Hashish	0.9	0.8 ^b	0.9	0.9	0.8 ^a	0.8 ^a	0.9	0.9	1.0
Cocaine	0.4 ^b	0.3	0.2	0.3					
Crack	0.1 ^b	0.0	0.0						
Heroin	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
Hallucinogens	0.5	0.4 ^b	0.4 ^b	0.4 ^b	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5
LSD	0.1	0.1 ^b	0.1 ^b	0.1 ^a	0.1 ^a	0.1 ^a	0.2	0.1	0.1
PCP	0.1 ^b	0.0 ^b	0.0 ^b	0.0 ^a	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Ecstasy	0.5 ^b	0.3 ^b	0.3 ^b	0.3 ^b	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4 ^a	0.4
Inhalants	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Nonmedical Use of Psychotherapeutics ^{2,3}	1.1 ^a	1.1 ^a	1.2 ^b	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Pain Relievers	1.0 ^b	1.0 ^b	1.0 ^b	0.9 ^a	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8
OxyContin [®]	--	--	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Tranquilizers	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Stimulants ²	0.3 ^b	0.3	0.3 ^a	0.3	0.3 ^b	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2
Sedatives	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
ILLCIT DRUGS OTHER THAN MARIJUANA^{1,2}	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.0
CIGARETTES	0.8 ^a	0.8 ^a	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.9	1.0	1.0	0.9
Daily Cigarette Use ⁴	0.4	0.4 ^a	0.5 ^a	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4 ^a	0.4
SMOKELESS TOBACCO	0.4 ^b	0.4 ^b	0.4 ^b	0.5 ^a	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6
CIGARS	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.4 ^b	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
ALCOHOL	1.7 ^a	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8

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Table 7.37A Past Year Initiation of Illicit Drugs and First Drug Initiated in the Past Year among Persons Aged 12 or Older Who Initiated Illicit Drug Use in the Past Year: Numbers in Thousands, 2002-2010

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
PAST YEAR INITIATION OF ILLICIT DRUGS^{1,2}	2,656 ^a	2,627 ^a	2,784	2,908	2,789	2,670 ^a	2,885	3,115	2,970
FIRST DRUG INITIATED³									
Marijuana and Hashish	1,555 ^b	1,463 ^b	1,516 ^b	1,586	1,508 ^b	1,502 ^b	1,634	1,841	1,837
Cocaine	29 ^a	21 ^a	43	29 ^b	34 ^b	16	24 ^a	8	4
Crack	*	*	*	1	*	*	*	*	*
Heroin	1	1	1	*	0	*	4	3	2
Hallucinogens	88	63	56	67	92	55	92	67	90
LSD	1	5	1	2	6	4	2	1	2
PCP	2	1	1	1	9	*	1	0	2
Ecstasy	52	37	26	23	46	15 ^a	28	30	41
Inhalants	246	340	305	331	278	287	280	306	267
Nonmedical Use of Psychotherapeutics ^{2,4}									
Pain Relievers	525	520	635	596	620	507	649	532	514
OxyContin [®]	--	--	1	8	1	2	6	23	15
Tranquilizers	64 ^a	87	109	179	112	173	93	268	136
Stimulants ²	92	102	99	73	114	109	87	62	74
Sedatives	61	34	27	52	35	28	24	30	57
Illicit Drugs Other Than Marijuana ^{1,2}	1,104	1,164	1,269	1,328	1,285	1,174	1,252	1,275	1,140

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² Estimates in these designated rows do not include data from new methamphetamine initiation items added in 2007 or new methamphetamine use items added in 2005 and 2006.

³ First Drug Initiated is based on imputation-revised month and year and imputed day of first use for each drug. Respondents may be counted in more than one drug category if they reported initiating multiple drugs on the same day the first time they used drugs. Also, several drugs listed are subcategories of other drugs, and will have the same start date. Therefore, the sum of the estimates for the first drug or drugs initiated may not equal the total estimates for past year initiates.

⁴ Nonmedical use of prescription-type psychotherapeutics includes the nonmedical use of pain relievers, tranquilizers, stimulants, and sedatives and does not include over-the-counter drugs.

Source: SAMHSA, Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality (formerly the Office of Applied Studies), National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002-2010.

Table 7.37B Past Year Initiation of Illicit Drugs and First Drug Initiated in the Past Year among Persons Aged 12 or Older Who Initiated Illicit Drug Use in the Past Year: Percentages, 2002-2010

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
PAST YEAR INITIATION OF ILLICIT DRUGS^{1,2}	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
FIRST DRUG INITIATED³									
Marijuana and Hashish	58.6	55.7 ^a	54.5 ^b	54.5 ^a	54.1 ^b	56.2 ^a	56.6 ^a	59.1	61.8
Cocaine	1.1 ^a	0.8 ^a	1.5	1.0 ^b	1.2 ^b	0.6 ^a	0.8 ^a	0.3	0.1
Crack	*	*	*	0.0	*	*	*	*	*
Heroin	0.0	0.0	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.1	0.1	0.1
Hallucinogens	3.3	2.4	2.0	2.3	3.3	2.0	3.2	2.1	3.0
LSD	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1
PCP	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	*	0.0	0.0	0.1
Ecstasy	1.9	1.4	0.9	0.8	1.7	0.6	1.0	1.0	1.4
Inhalants	9.3	12.9 ^b	10.9	11.4 ^a	10.0	10.7	9.7	9.8	9.0
Nonmedical Use of Psychotherapeutics ^{2,4}									
Pain Relievers	19.8	19.8	22.8 ^a	20.5	22.2 ^a	19.0	22.5 ^a	17.1	17.3
OxyContin [®]	--	--	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.7	0.5
Tranquilizers	2.4 ^a	3.3	3.9	6.2	4.0	6.5	3.2	8.6	4.6
Stimulants ²	3.5	3.9	3.5	2.5	4.1	4.1	3.0	2.0	2.5
Sedatives	2.3	1.3	1.0	1.8	1.2	1.1	0.8	1.0	1.9
Illicit Drugs Other Than Marijuana ^{1,2}	41.6	44.3 ^a	45.6 ^b	45.7 ^a	46.1 ^b	44.0 ^a	43.4	40.9	38.4

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Table 7.38B Past Year Initiation of Nonmedical Methamphetamine Use among Persons Aged 12 or Older and Those at Risk for Initiation and Mean Age at First Use among Past Year Initiates Aged 12 or Older Who Used Methamphetamine Nonmedically, by Demographic Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands and Percentages, 2002-2010

Estimate Type/Demographic Characteristic	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
NUMBER OF PAST YEAR INITIATES (1,000s)									
Total	299 ^b	260 ^b	318 ^b	192 ^b	259 ^b	157 ^a	95	154	105
Gender									
Male	141 ^b	130 ^b	142 ^b	97 ^b	90 ^a	52	42	73	47
Female	158 ^b	129 ^b	176 ^b	95	169 ^b	104 ^a	53	82	59
PERCENTAGE OF PAST YEAR INITIATES AMONG TOTAL POPULATION									
Total	0.1 ^b	0.1 ^b	0.1 ^b	0.1 ^b	0.1 ^b	0.1 ^a	0.0	0.1	0.0
Gender									
Male	0.1 ^b	0.1 ^b	0.1 ^b	0.1 ^b	0.1 ^a	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
Female	0.1 ^b	0.1 ^b	0.1 ^b	0.1 ^a	0.1 ^b	0.1 ^a	0.0	0.1	0.0
PERCENTAGE OF PAST YEAR INITIATES AMONG PERSONS AT RISK FOR INITIATION¹									
Total	0.1 ^b	0.1 ^b	0.1 ^b	0.1 ^b	0.1 ^b	0.1 ^a	0.0	0.1	0.0
Gender									
Male	0.1 ^b	0.1 ^b	0.1 ^b	0.1 ^b	0.1 ^a	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
Female	0.1 ^b	0.1 ^b	0.1 ^b	0.1 ^a	0.1 ^b	0.1 ^a	0.0	0.1	0.0
MEAN AGE AT FIRST USE AMONG PAST YEAR INITIATES									
Total	18.9	20.4	22.1	18.6	22.2	19.1	19.2	19.3	18.8
Age 12-49	18.9	20.4	20.6	18.6	22.2	19.1	19.2	19.3	18.8
Gender/Age									
Male	19.0	19.9	20.8 ^a	19.1	19.8	19.4	19.8	19.7	18.4
12-49	19.0	19.9	20.8 ^a	19.1	19.8	19.4	19.8	19.7	18.4
Female	18.8	20.8	23.1	18.1	23.5	19.0	18.8	19.0	19.1
12-49	18.8	20.8	20.4	18.1	23.5	19.0	18.8	19.0	19.1

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¹ At Risk for Initiation is defined as persons who did not use the substance(s) in their lifetime or used the substance(s) for the first time in the past year.

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Table 7.39B Mean Age at First Use among Past Year Initiates of Substance Use Aged 12 to 49: 2002-2010

Substance	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
ILLICIT DRUGS^{1,2}	17.9	17.5 ^b	18.1	18.7	19.0	18.0	18.8	17.6 ^b	19.1
Marijuana and Hashish	17.0 ^b	16.8 ^b	17.1 ^a	17.4 ^a	17.4	17.6	17.8	17.0 ^b	18.4
Cocaine	19.8	19.8	20.0	19.7	20.3	20.2	19.8	20.0	21.2
Crack	25.0	21.8	21.9	23.4	22.9	29.6	27.2	20.6	24.8
Heroin	21.0	20.9	24.4	22.2	20.7	21.8	23.4	25.5 ^a	21.3
Hallucinogens	18.5	17.9	18.7	18.7	19.7 ^a	19.1	18.6	18.9	18.3
LSD	17.4 ^b	17.2 ^b	18.4	18.3	19.4	18.3	18.4	18.4	19.1
PCP	16.0 ^a	17.4	18.9	16.5	16.3	16.4	15.8 ^a	16.8	17.6
Ecstasy	21.2 ^a	19.7	19.5	20.7	20.6	20.2	20.3	20.2	19.4
Inhalants	15.9	16.0	16.0	16.1	15.7	17.1	15.9	16.9	16.3
Nonmedical Use of Psychotherapeutics ^{2,3}	21.3	21.6	21.7	22.2	22.9	21.8	22.0	21.0	22.3
Pain Relievers	20.8	21.1	20.9	21.2	21.9	21.2	21.2	20.8	21.0
OxyContin [®]	--	--	22.9	23.2	22.6	24.0	21.8	22.3	22.8
Tranquilizers	23.8	22.7	24.4	25.7	24.0	24.5	24.4	22.4 ^a	24.6
Stimulants ²	19.2	21.5	20.0	20.1	23.0	21.9	21.3	21.5	21.2
Sedatives	26.6	21.2	23.5	22.9	26.5	24.2	21.6	19.7	23.5
ILLICIT DRUGS OTHER THAN MARIJUANA^{1,2}	19.7	19.5	19.9	20.5	20.7	20.0	20.4	19.3	20.2
CIGARETTES	16.9	16.9	16.7 ^a	17.3	17.1	16.9	17.4	17.5	17.3
Daily Cigarette Use ⁴	19.9	19.8	18.8	19.7	18.9	19.2	20.1	20.7 ^a	19.1
SMOKELESS TOBACCO	19.1	18.1	18.8	18.3	19.0	18.0 ^a	18.9	18.8	19.3
CIGARS	21.8 ^a	20.3	20.2	21.2	19.9	20.5	20.0	20.7	20.5
ALCOHOL	16.6 ^a	16.4 ^b	16.4 ^b	16.4 ^b	16.6 ^b	16.8	17.0	16.9	17.2

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