

Table 4.16D Standard Errors of Mean Age at First Use among Past Year Initiates of Substance Use Aged 12 to 49, by Gender: 2007 and 2008

Substance	Total (2007)	Total (2008)	Male (2007)	Male (2008)	Female (2007)	Female (2008)
ILLCIT DRUGS^{1,2}	0.37	0.40	0.30	0.42	0.64	0.64
Marijuana and Hashish	0.34	0.35	0.25	0.24	0.62	0.62
Cocaine	0.52	0.44	0.77	0.43	0.55	0.84
Crack	2.54	1.69	3.16	2.31	2.57	2.32
Heroin	1.23	3.23	1.00	4.33	3.21	1.05
Hallucinogens	0.45	0.34	0.58	0.37	0.73	0.66
LSD	0.29	0.31	0.37	0.40	0.39	0.32
PCP	0.50	0.61	0.61	1.14	0.79	0.50
Ecstasy	0.57	0.61	0.74	0.88	0.88	0.82
Inhalants	0.54	0.25	0.80	0.40	0.68	0.25
Nonmedical Use of Psychotherapeutics ^{2,3}	0.52	0.51	0.55	0.63	0.79	0.73
Pain Relievers	0.44	0.49	0.51	0.69	0.68	0.69
OxyContin [®]	1.26	1.08	2.01	1.77	1.50	1.08
Tranquilizers	0.67	0.77	0.98	0.88	0.88	1.06
Stimulants ²	1.08	0.83	0.84	0.65	1.51	1.29
Sedatives	1.53	1.77	1.73	3.37	2.26	2.03
ILLCIT DRUGS OTHER THAN MARIJUANA^{1,2}	0.43	0.44	0.54	0.54	0.65	0.67
CIGARETTES	0.12	0.26	0.13	0.26	0.20	0.45
Daily Cigarette Use ⁴	0.44	0.79	0.67	1.04	0.57	1.17
SMOKELESS TOBACCO	0.29	0.50	0.19	0.62	0.93	0.69
CIGARS	0.42	0.38	0.50	0.49	0.68	0.58
ALCOHOL	0.13	0.16	0.13	0.19	0.22	0.25

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Past Year Initiates are defined as persons who used the substance(s) for the first time in the 12 months prior to date of interview.

¹ 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.

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

³ Nonmedical use of prescription-type psychotherapeutics includes the nonmedical use of pain relievers, tranquilizers, stimulants, or sedatives and does not include over-the-counter drugs.

⁴ Daily Cigarette Use is defined as ever smoking every day for at least 30 days.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2007 and 2008.

Table 4.16P P Values from Tests of Differences of Mean Age at First Use among Past Year Initiates of Substance Use Aged 12 to 49, by Gender: 2008 Versus 2007

Substance	Total (2007)	Total (2008)	Male (2007)	Male (2008)	Female (2007)	Female (2008)
ILLICIT DRUGS^{1,2}	0.1024		0.0679		0.3097	
Marijuana and Hashish	0.6384		0.7256		0.7270	
Cocaine	0.5767		0.0964		0.2603	
Crack	0.4202		0.1692		0.4030	
Heroin	0.6343		0.2972		0.1536	
Hallucinogens	0.2909		0.2558		0.6883	
LSD	0.7662		0.6273		0.4496	
PCP	0.4158		0.8582		0.1480	
Ecstasy	0.9792		0.8148		0.7127	
Inhalants	0.0403		0.3356		0.0253	
Nonmedical Use of Psychotherapeutics ^{2,3}	0.7486		0.9271		0.7510	
Pain Relievers	0.9673		0.4575		0.5026	
OxyContin [®]	0.1803		0.2948		0.3718	
Tranquilizers	0.8714		0.0689		0.3357	
Stimulants ²	0.6853		0.4164		0.6296	
Sedatives	0.2545		0.4142		0.3866	
ILLICIT DRUGS OTHER THAN MARIJUANA^{1,2}	0.5110		0.7735		0.5836	
CIGARETTES	0.1004		0.0441		0.4712	
Daily Cigarette Use ⁴	0.3403		0.9141		0.2251	
SMOKELESS TOBACCO	0.1191		0.0259		0.5316	
CIGARS	0.3165		0.9711		0.1735	
ALCOHOL	0.4152		0.4384		0.6311	

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