

**Table 3.5A Perceived That Obtaining Specific Illicit Drugs Would Be Fairly or Very Easy among Persons Aged 12 to 17, by Demographic and Geographic Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands, 2007 and 2008**

<b>Demographic/ Geographic Characteristic</b>	<b>Marijuana (2007)</b>	<b>Marijuana (2008)</b>	<b>Cocaine (2007)</b>	<b>Cocaine (2008)</b>	<b>Crack (2007)</b>	<b>Crack (2008)</b>	<b>Heroin (2007)</b>	<b>Heroin (2008)</b>	<b>LSD (2007)</b>	<b>LSD (2008)</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	12,034	11,905	5,905 <sup>b</sup>	5,279	6,104 <sup>b</sup>	5,537	3,390 <sup>b</sup>	3,083	3,376	3,221
<b>AGE</b>										
12-13	1,594	1,514	978	866	1,135	1,084	641	632	489	451
14-15	4,220	4,324	1,997	1,905	2,219	2,137	1,191	1,159	1,077	1,137
16-17	6,220	6,066	2,930 <sup>b</sup>	2,508	2,750 <sup>b</sup>	2,315	1,558 <sup>b</sup>	1,292	1,810 <sup>a</sup>	1,633
<b>GENDER</b>										
Male	6,043	5,926	2,503 <sup>b</sup>	2,256	2,473 <sup>b</sup>	2,232	1,359	1,262	1,395	1,352
Female	5,992	5,978	3,402 <sup>b</sup>	3,023	3,631 <sup>b</sup>	3,305	2,031 <sup>a</sup>	1,821	1,981	1,869
<b>HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE</b>										
Not Hispanic or Latino	9,945	9,702	4,665 <sup>b</sup>	4,143	4,858 <sup>b</sup>	4,392	2,721 <sup>b</sup>	2,450	2,796	2,624
White	7,437	7,129	3,338 <sup>b</sup>	2,920	3,358 <sup>b</sup>	3,025	1,841	1,685	2,144	2,013
Black or African American	1,903	1,938	1,048	952	1,157	1,067	713 <sup>a</sup>	596	486	444
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	67	*	21	*	21	*	13	16	14
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian	291	274	121	127	179	145	76	79	84	86
Two or More Races	205 <sup>a</sup>	262	103	107	96	114	60	64	62	59
Hispanic or Latino	2,089	2,203	1,240	1,136	1,246	1,145	669	633	579	597
<b>COUNTY TYPE</b>										
Large Metro	6,566	6,534	3,259 <sup>b</sup>	2,834	3,355 <sup>b</sup>	3,007	1,889	1,720	1,845	1,761
Small Metro	3,591	3,597	1,798	1,668	1,832	1,675	990	892	1,006	976
Nonmetro	1,877	1,773	847	777	917	855	511	471	525	483

\*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Response categories for the Perceived Availability questions include "Probably impossible," "Very difficult," "Fairly difficult," "Fairly easy," and "Very easy." The estimates in this table correspond to persons reporting "Fairly easy" or "Very easy." Respondents with unknown Perceived Availability data were excluded.

<sup>a</sup> Difference between estimate and 2008 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

<sup>b</sup> Difference between estimate and 2008 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.01 level.

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

**Table 3.5B Perceived That Obtaining Specific Illicit Drugs Would Be Fairly or Very Easy among Persons Aged 12 to 17, by Demographic and Geographic Characteristics: Percentages, 2007 and 2008**

<b>Demographic/ Geographic Characteristic</b>	<b>Marijuana (2007)</b>	<b>Marijuana (2008)</b>	<b>Cocaine (2007)</b>	<b>Cocaine (2008)</b>	<b>Crack (2007)</b>	<b>Crack (2008)</b>	<b>Heroin (2007)</b>	<b>Heroin (2008)</b>	<b>LSD (2007)</b>	<b>LSD (2008)</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	49.1	49.2	24.5 <sup>b</sup>	22.1	25.3 <sup>b</sup>	23.2	14.1 <sup>a</sup>	13.0	14.4	13.8
<b>AGE</b>										
12-13	20.6	20.5	12.8	11.8	14.8	14.8	8.4	8.7	6.7	6.4
14-15	50.9	52.2	24.5	23.4	27.1	26.2	14.7	14.3	13.5	14.3
16-17	73.4 <sup>a</sup>	71.0	35.3 <sup>b</sup>	29.9	33.1 <sup>b</sup>	27.7	18.8 <sup>b</sup>	15.5	22.1 <sup>b</sup>	19.8
<b>GENDER</b>										
Male	48.1	47.9	20.3 <sup>a</sup>	18.5	20.0 <sup>a</sup>	18.4	11.1	10.5	11.6	11.3
Female	50.2	50.5	28.9 <sup>b</sup>	25.9	30.8 <sup>b</sup>	28.3	17.4 <sup>a</sup>	15.7	17.3	16.5
<b>HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE</b>										
Not Hispanic or Latino	49.8	49.5	23.8 <sup>b</sup>	21.5	24.7 <sup>b</sup>	22.8	13.9 <sup>a</sup>	12.8	14.6	13.9
White	50.9	50.0	23.2 <sup>b</sup>	20.8	23.3 <sup>b</sup>	21.6	12.9	12.1	15.3	14.7
Black or African American	51.1	52.6	28.6	26.2	31.5	29.2	19.6 <sup>a</sup>	16.5	13.5	12.4
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	49.6	*	15.8	*	16.0	*	9.8	10.6	10.8
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian	29.3	29.5	12.4	14.0	18.2	15.8	7.8	8.7	8.8	9.5
Two or More Races	50.1	54.3	25.6	22.6	23.9	24.1	15.2	13.7	16.1	13.0
Hispanic or Latino	46.1	47.7	27.8	25.0	27.8	25.2	15.1	14.0	13.4	13.5
<b>COUNTY TYPE</b>										
Large Metro	49.5	50.7	25.0 <sup>b</sup>	22.4	25.7 <sup>a</sup>	23.7	14.6	13.7	14.5	14.2
Small Metro	49.9	49.7	25.4 <sup>a</sup>	23.4	25.8 <sup>a</sup>	23.5	14.1	12.6	14.5	14.0
Nonmetro	46.3 <sup>a</sup>	43.4	21.2	19.3	22.9	21.3	12.9	11.8	13.5	12.3

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