

Table 7.67A Detailed Reasons for Not Receiving Substance Use Treatment in Past Year among Persons Aged 12 or Older Classified as Needing But Not Receiving Substance Use Treatment at a Specialty Facility and Who Perceived a Need for Substance Use Treatment in Past Year: Numbers in Thousands, 2015-2019

| Reason for Not Receiving Substance Use Treatment ¹ | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
|---|------|------|------------------|------------------|------|
| TOTAL POPULATION | 880 | 836 | 1,033 | 964 | 812 |
| No Health Care Coverage and Could Not Afford Cost | 264 | 221 | 313 ^a | 314 ^a | 170 |
| Had Health Care Coverage But Did Not Cover Treatment or Did Not Cover Full Cost | 40 | 96 | 108 ^a | 100 | 38 |
| No Transportation/Programs Too Far Away or Hours Inconvenient | 104 | 61 | 69 | 73 | 60 |
| Did Not Find Program That Offered Type of Treatment That Was Wanted | 95 | 119 | 93 | 106 | 120 |
| Not Ready to Stop Using | 355 | 315 | 410 | 371 | 324 |
| No Openings in a Program | 40 | 26 | 51 | 51 | 42 |
| Did Not Know Where to Go for Treatment | 110 | 155 | 113 | 204 | 193 |
| Might Cause Neighbors/Community to Have Negative Opinion | 73 | 111 | 177 | 144 | 140 |
| Might Have Negative Effect on Job | 141 | 96 | 212 | 154 | 136 |
| Did Not Feel Need for Treatment at the Time | 64 | 31 | 127 | 52 | 52 |
| Could Handle the Problem Without Treatment | 72 | 74 | 130 | 107 | 95 |
| Treatment Would Not Help | 29 | 18 | 40 | 36 | 38 |
| Did Not Have Time | 78 | 40 | 82 | 67 | 69 |
| Did Not Want Others to Find Out | 85 | 39 | 74 | 60 | 62 |
| Some Other Reason | 18 | 12 | 31 | 42 | 34 |

* = low precision; -- = not available; da = does not apply; nc = not comparable due to methodological changes; nr = not reported due to measurement issues.

NOTE: Respondents were classified as needing substance use treatment if they met the DSM-IV criteria for an illicit drug or alcohol use disorder or received treatment for illicit drug or alcohol use at a specialty facility (i.e., drug and alcohol rehabilitation facility [inpatient or outpatient], hospital [inpatient only], or mental health center).

NOTE: Perceived Need for Substance Use Treatment includes persons who did not receive but felt they needed illicit drug or alcohol use treatment, as well as persons who received treatment at a location other than a specialty facility but felt they needed additional treatment.

^a The difference between this estimate and the 2019 estimate is statistically significant at the .05 level. Rounding may make the estimates appear identical.

¹ Respondents could indicate multiple reasons for not receiving treatment; thus, these response categories are not mutually exclusive.

Definitions: Measures and terms are defined in Appendix A.

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Table 7.67B Detailed Reasons for Not Receiving Substance Use Treatment in Past Year among Persons Aged 12 or Older Classified as Needing But Not Receiving Substance Use Treatment at a Specialty Facility and Who Perceived a Need for Substance Use Treatment in Past Year: Percentages, 2015-2019

| Reason for Not Receiving Substance Use Treatment¹ | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
|---|-------------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| TOTAL POPULATION | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No Health Care Coverage and Could Not Afford Cost | 30.0 | 26.4 | 30.3 | 32.5 ^a | 20.9 |
| Had Health Care Coverage But Did Not Cover Treatment or Did Not Cover Full Cost | 4.6 | 11.5 | 10.5 | 10.4 | 4.6 |
| No Transportation/Programs Too Far Away or Hours Inconvenient | 11.8 | 7.2 | 6.7 | 7.6 | 7.3 |
| Did Not Find Program That Offered Type of Treatment That Was Wanted | 10.8 | 14.2 | 9.0 | 11.0 | 14.7 |
| Not Ready to Stop Using | 40.3 | 37.7 | 39.7 | 38.4 | 39.9 |
| No Openings in a Program | 4.5 | 3.1 | 5.0 | 5.3 | 5.2 |
| Did Not Know Where to Go for Treatment | 12.5 ^a | 18.6 | 10.9 ^a | 21.1 | 23.8 |
| Might Cause Neighbors/Community to Have Negative Opinion | 8.3 ^a | 13.2 | 17.2 | 14.9 | 17.2 |
| Might Have Negative Effect on Job | 16.1 | 11.5 | 20.5 | 16.0 | 16.8 |
| Did Not Feel Need for Treatment at the Time | 7.3 | 3.7 | 12.3 | 5.3 | 6.4 |
| Could Handle the Problem Without Treatment | 8.2 | 8.9 | 12.6 | 11.1 | 11.7 |
| Treatment Would Not Help | 3.3 | 2.1 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 4.6 |
| Did Not Have Time | 8.9 | 4.8 | 7.9 | 7.0 | 8.5 |
| Did Not Want Others to Find Out | 9.6 | 4.6 | 7.1 | 6.2 | 7.6 |
| Some Other Reason | 2.1 | 1.4 | 3.0 | 4.4 | 4.2 |

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