

**Table 13.4C Perceived COVID-19 Pandemic Effect on Access to Substance Use Treatment: Among People Aged 12 or Older, among People Aged 12 or Older with Substance Use in Past Year, and among People Aged 12 or Older with Substance Use Disorder in Past Year; by Age Group, Standard Errors of Numbers in Thousands, Quarter 4, 2020**

<b>Perceived Effect on Substance Use Treatment</b>	<b>Aged 12+</b>	<b>Aged 12-17</b>	<b>Aged 18+</b>	<b>Aged 18-25</b>	<b>Aged 26+</b>
<b>PERCEIVED EFFECT AMONG TOTAL POPULATION</b>					
Appointments moved from in-person to telehealth	1,154	193	1,139	206	1,132
Delays or cancellations in appointments	1,028	222	1,021	191	1,007
Delays in getting prescriptions	778	142	768	125	761
Unable to access needed care resulting in moderate to severe impact on health	642	105	631	111	620
<b>PERCEIVED EFFECT AMONG PAST YEAR ALCOHOL OR ILLICIT DRUG USERS</b>					
Appointments moved from in-person to telehealth	915	131	916	175	908
Delays or cancellations in appointments	829	149	829	157	818
Delays in getting prescriptions	640	62	642	96	631
Unable to access needed care resulting in moderate to severe impact on health	468	28	466	74	456
<b>PERCEIVED EFFECT AMONG PEOPLE WITH PAST YEAR SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER</b>					
Appointments moved from in-person to telehealth	503	*	500	110	483
Delays or cancellations in appointments	469	*	469	102	455
Delays in getting prescriptions	460	*	456	61	450
Unable to access needed care resulting in moderate to severe impact on health	292	*	291	48	285

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

NOTE: Estimates in this table for 2020 exclude a subset of respondents who did not complete the questionnaire. The analysis weights and estimates were adjusted for the reduced sample size. See the *2020 National Survey on Drug Use and Health: Methodological Summary and Definitions* for details.

NOTE: Respondents could report that the questions about access to substance use treatment did not apply to them. Respondents who reported that the respective question did not apply to them were classified as not having experienced that effect.

NOTE: Respondents with unknown information on their perception of the COVID-19 pandemic's effect on their access to substance use treatment were excluded.

Definitions: Measures and terms are defined in Appendix A.

Source: SAMHSA, Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, Quarter 4, 2020.

**Table 13.4D Perceived COVID-19 Pandemic Effect on Access to Substance Use Treatment: Among People Aged 12 or Older, among People Aged 12 or Older with Substance Use in Past Year, and among People Aged 12 or Older with Substance Use Disorder in Past Year; by Age Group, Standard Errors of Percentages, Quarter 4, 2020**

<b>Perceived Effect on Substance Use Treatment</b>	<b>Aged 12+</b>	<b>Aged 12-17</b>	<b>Aged 18+</b>	<b>Aged 18-25</b>	<b>Aged 26+</b>
<b>PERCEIVED EFFECT AMONG TOTAL POPULATION</b>					
Appointments moved from in-person to telehealth	0.43	0.80	0.46	0.63	0.53
Delays or cancellations in appointments	0.38	0.92	0.42	0.59	0.47
Delays in getting prescriptions	0.29	0.59	0.31	0.38	0.36
Unable to access needed care resulting in moderate to severe impact on health	0.24	0.43	0.26	0.34	0.29
<b>PERCEIVED EFFECT AMONG PAST YEAR ALCOHOL OR ILLICIT DRUG USERS</b>					
Appointments moved from in-person to telehealth	0.48	2.83	0.49	0.73	0.56
Delays or cancellations in appointments	0.44	3.12	0.45	0.69	0.51
Delays in getting prescriptions	0.35	1.35	0.36	0.44	0.41
Unable to access needed care resulting in moderate to severe impact on health	0.26	0.62	0.26	0.34	0.29
<b>PERCEIVED EFFECT AMONG PEOPLE WITH PAST YEAR SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER</b>					
Appointments moved from in-person to telehealth	1.21	*	1.24	1.52	1.47
Delays or cancellations in appointments	1.13	*	1.17	1.42	1.39
Delays in getting prescriptions	1.14	*	1.17	0.89	1.41
Unable to access needed care resulting in moderate to severe impact on health	0.74	*	0.76	0.71	0.91

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