

Table 5.2A Substance Use Disorder in Past Year: Among People Aged 12 or Older; by Detailed Age Category, Numbers in Thousands, 2019 and 2020

Age Category	Illicit Drugs (2019)	Illicit Drugs (2020)	Alcohol (2019)	Alcohol (2020)	Illicit Drugs or Alcohol (2019)	Illicit Drugs or Alcohol (2020)
TOTAL	nc	18,394	nc	28,320	nc	40,263
12-20	nc	2,748	nc	1,826	nc	3,784
21 or Older	nc	15,646	nc	26,494	nc	36,480
12-17	nc	1,213	nc	712	nc	1,584
12-13	nc	75	nc	52	nc	124
14-15	nc	445	nc	276	nc	581
16-17	nc	693	nc	384	nc	880
18 or Older	nc	17,181	nc	27,608	nc	38,679
18-25	nc	4,878	nc	5,215	nc	8,171
18-20	nc	1,536	nc	1,115	nc	2,199
21-25	nc	3,342	nc	4,100	nc	5,972
26 or Older	nc	12,304	nc	22,393	nc	30,508
26-49	nc	8,871	nc	14,096	nc	19,588
26-29	nc	2,164	nc	2,798	nc	4,156
30-34	nc	1,947	nc	3,141	nc	4,362
35-39	nc	1,990	nc	3,264	nc	4,467
40-44	nc	1,346	nc	2,421	nc	3,234
45-49	nc	1,424	nc	2,472	nc	3,371
50 or Older	nc	3,433	nc	8,297	nc	10,919
50-54	nc	944	nc	1,804	nc	2,417
55-59	nc	1,082	nc	1,813	nc	2,663
60-64	nc	600	nc	1,912	nc	2,385
65 or Older	nc	807	nc	2,768	nc	3,454

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

NOTE: Substance use disorder (SUD) estimates in 2020 are based on criteria from the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, 5th edition (DSM-5). SUD and related estimates are not comparable between 2020 and prior years of NSDUH, because prior years' estimates were based on DSM-IV criteria. The 2020 estimates reflect additional methodological changes for the 2020 NSDUH. Due to these changes, significance testing between 2020 and prior years was not performed. See the *2020 National Survey on Drug Use and Health: Methodological Summary and Definitions* for details on these changes.

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, 2019 and Quarters 1 and 4, 2020.

Table 5.2B Substance Use Disorder in Past Year: Among People Aged 12 or Older; by Detailed Age Category, Percentages, 2019 and 2020

Age Category	Illicit Drugs (2019)	Illicit Drugs (2020)	Alcohol (2019)	Alcohol (2020)	Illicit Drugs or Alcohol (2019)	Illicit Drugs or Alcohol (2020)
TOTAL	nc	6.6	nc	10.2	nc	14.5
12-20	nc	7.3	nc	4.9	nc	10.1
21 or Older	nc	6.5	nc	11.1	nc	15.2
12-17	nc	4.9	nc	2.8	nc	6.3
12-13	nc	0.9	nc	0.6	nc	1.5
14-15	nc	5.1	nc	3.2	nc	6.7
16-17	nc	8.8	nc	4.9	nc	11.2
18 or Older	nc	6.8	nc	11.0	nc	15.4
18-25	nc	14.6	nc	15.6	nc	24.4
18-20	nc	12.3	nc	9.0	nc	17.7
21-25	nc	15.9	nc	19.5	nc	28.4
26 or Older	nc	5.6	nc	10.3	nc	14.0
26-49	nc	8.7	nc	13.9	nc	19.3
26-29	nc	12.2	nc	15.7	nc	23.3
30-34	nc	8.6	nc	13.8	nc	19.2
35-39	nc	8.9	nc	14.6	nc	20.0
40-44	nc	6.9	nc	12.5	nc	16.7
45-49	nc	7.4	nc	12.8	nc	17.4
50 or Older	nc	2.9	nc	7.1	nc	9.3
50-54	nc	4.7	nc	9.1	nc	12.1
55-59	nc	5.0	nc	8.4	nc	12.4
60-64	nc	2.9	nc	9.1	nc	11.4
65 or Older	nc	1.5	nc	5.1	nc	6.3

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