

Table 6.24A Types of Illicit Drug, Tobacco Product, and Alcohol Use in Past Month: Among People Aged 18 to 22; by College Enrollment Status and Gender, Numbers in Thousands, 2019 and 2020

Substance	All People Aged 18-22 ¹						Full-Time College Students Aged 18-22						Other People Aged 18-22 ²					
	Total		Gender				Total		Gender				Total		Gender			
			Male		Female				Male		Female				Male		Female	
	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020
ILLICIT DRUGS	5,142	<i>4,624</i>	2,774	<i>2,346</i>	2,367	<i>2,278</i>	1,715	<i>1,409</i>	846	<i>653</i>	869	<i>756</i>	3,365	<i>3,152</i>	1,891	<i>1,649</i>	1,475	<i>1,503</i>
Marijuana	4,793	<i>4,527</i>	2,588	<i>2,275</i>	2,204	<i>2,252</i>	1,612	<i>1,379</i>	799	<i>629</i>	813	<i>750</i>	3,132	<i>3,087</i>	1,762	<i>1,603</i>	1,370	<i>1,484</i>
Cocaine	290	<i>199</i>	124	<i>77</i>	166	<i>122</i>	96	<i>34</i>	39	<i>14</i>	58	<i>19</i>	190	<i>166</i>	82	<i>63</i>	108	<i>103</i>
Crack	8	<i>23</i>	2	<i>12</i>	6	<i>11</i>	*	<i>5</i>	*	<i>5</i>	*	<i>*</i>	8	<i>18</i>	1	<i>7</i>	6	<i>11</i>
Heroin	17	<i>1</i>	8	<i>*</i>	9	<i>1</i>	*	<i>*</i>	*	<i>*</i>	*	<i>*</i>	17	<i>1</i>	8	<i>*</i>	9	<i>1</i>
Hallucinogens	411	<i>434</i>	263	<i>324</i>	147	<i>110</i>	106	<i>120</i>	64	<i>97</i>	41	<i>23</i>	286	<i>313</i>	188	<i>227</i>	98	<i>86</i>
LSD	166	<i>196</i>	115	<i>149</i>	51	<i>48</i>	38	<i>48</i>	25	<i>41</i>	14	<i>7</i>	124	<i>148</i>	86	<i>107</i>	37	<i>41</i>
PCP	8	<i>*</i>	8	<i>*</i>	1	<i>*</i>	0	<i>*</i>	*	<i>*</i>	0	<i>*</i>	*	<i>*</i>	*	<i>*</i>	*	<i>*</i>
Ecstasy	134	<i>86</i>	74	<i>59</i>	60	<i>26</i>	40	<i>24</i>	26	<i>20</i>	14	<i>4</i>	90	<i>61</i>	48	<i>39</i>	42	<i>22</i>
Inhalants	115	<i>88</i>	69	<i>35</i>	46	<i>52</i>	37	<i>19</i>	14	<i>9</i>	23	<i>9</i>	70	<i>69</i>	47	<i>26</i>	23	<i>43</i>
Methamphetamine	51	<i>57</i>	36	<i>16</i>	15	<i>41</i>	7	<i>2</i>	6	<i>*</i>	1	<i>2</i>	44	<i>53</i>	30	<i>14</i>	14	<i>39</i>
Misuse of Prescription Psychotherapeutics	703	<i>380</i>	348	<i>205</i>	355	<i>176</i>	244	<i>100</i>	119	<i>53</i>	125	<i>47</i>	449	<i>279</i>	222	<i>149</i>	227	<i>129</i>
Pain Relievers	239	<i>140</i>	85	<i>78</i>	154	<i>62</i>	34	<i>43</i>	10	<i>18</i>	25	<i>25</i>	198	<i>95</i>	71	<i>58</i>	127	<i>37</i>
Stimulants	379	<i>129</i>	207	<i>67</i>	172	<i>62</i>	185	<i>50</i>	103	<i>29</i>	81	<i>22</i>	191	<i>78</i>	101	<i>38</i>	90	<i>40</i>
Tranquilizers or Sedatives	205	<i>189</i>	115	<i>104</i>	91	<i>86</i>	48	<i>16</i>	21	<i>16</i>	28	<i>*</i>	157	<i>173</i>	94	<i>88</i>	63	<i>86</i>
Tranquilizers	188	<i>184</i>	107	<i>99</i>	81	<i>84</i>	36	<i>16</i>	16	<i>16</i>	20	<i>*</i>	152	<i>168</i>	91	<i>84</i>	61	<i>84</i>
Sedatives	29	<i>49</i>	14	<i>22</i>	15	<i>27</i>	12	<i>*</i>	5	<i>*</i>	8	<i>*</i>	17	<i>49</i>	9	<i>22</i>	8	<i>27</i>
Benzodiazepines	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Opioids	245	<i>140</i>	91	<i>78</i>	154	<i>62</i>	34	<i>43</i>	10	<i>18</i>	25	<i>25</i>	204	<i>95</i>	77	<i>58</i>	127	<i>37</i>
Illicit Drugs Other than Marijuana ³	1,214	<i>920</i>	656	<i>572</i>	558	<i>348</i>	366	<i>235</i>	191	<i>148</i>	175	<i>88</i>	817	<i>680</i>	445	<i>420</i>	372	<i>260</i>
TOBACCO PRODUCTS	4,666	<i>3,682</i>	3,019	<i>2,294</i>	1,646	<i>1,388</i>	1,146	<i>802</i>	778	<i>555</i>	368	<i>247</i>	3,460	<i>2,776</i>	2,203	<i>1,661</i>	1,257	<i>1,115</i>
Cigarettes	3,276	<i>2,545</i>	1,993	<i>1,466</i>	1,283	<i>1,078</i>	635	<i>430</i>	394	<i>276</i>	241	<i>153</i>	2,596	<i>2,025</i>	1,565	<i>1,124</i>	1,030	<i>901</i>
Daily Cigarettes	1,020	<i>784</i>	583	<i>409</i>	437	<i>376</i>	73	<i>35</i>	43	<i>19</i>	30	<i>16</i>	933	<i>718</i>	529	<i>358</i>	404	<i>360</i>
Smokeless Tobacco	975	<i>800</i>	821	<i>684</i>	153	<i>116</i>	307	<i>202</i>	239	<i>167</i>	68	<i>36</i>	651	<i>584</i>	570	<i>505</i>	80	<i>79</i>
Cigars	1,582	<i>1,149</i>	1,131	<i>794</i>	451	<i>356</i>	456	<i>301</i>	347	<i>218</i>	109	<i>84</i>	1,099	<i>792</i>	767	<i>537</i>	332	<i>255</i>
Pipe Tobacco	287	<i>264</i>	196	<i>189</i>	91	<i>75</i>	60	<i>79</i>	41	<i>52</i>	19	<i>27</i>	206	<i>185</i>	139	<i>137</i>	67	<i>48</i>
ALCOHOL	9,915	<i>9,133</i>	4,912	<i>4,586</i>	5,003	<i>4,547</i>	4,001	<i>3,387</i>	1,819	<i>1,523</i>	2,182	<i>1,864</i>	5,824	<i>5,644</i>	3,043	<i>3,012</i>	2,780	<i>2,632</i>
Binge Alcohol Use ⁴	6,245	<i>5,572</i>	3,173	<i>2,814</i>	3,072	<i>2,758</i>	2,515	<i>2,006</i>	1,235	<i>926</i>	1,280	<i>1,080</i>	3,670	<i>3,504</i>	1,907	<i>1,870</i>	1,764	<i>1,634</i>
Heavy Alcohol Use	1,471	<i>1,532</i>	843	<i>895</i>	628	<i>637</i>	622	<i>551</i>	345	<i>336</i>	277	<i>215</i>	841	<i>959</i>	491	<i>554</i>	350	<i>405</i>
GENERAL SUBSTANCES																		
Illicit Drugs, Tobacco Products, or Alcohol	12,102	<i>10,919</i>	6,275	<i>5,496</i>	5,827	<i>5,423</i>	4,454	<i>3,722</i>	2,077	<i>1,671</i>	2,377	<i>2,051</i>	7,541	<i>7,026</i>	4,140	<i>3,728</i>	3,401	<i>3,298</i>
Illicit Drugs or Alcohol	11,172	<i>10,293</i>	5,665	<i>5,146</i>	5,507	<i>5,147</i>	4,306	<i>3,660</i>	1,965	<i>1,630</i>	2,341	<i>2,030</i>	6,765	<i>6,483</i>	3,645	<i>3,432</i>	3,120	<i>3,051</i>
Tobacco Products or Alcohol	11,321	<i>10,218</i>	5,848	<i>5,175</i>	5,473	<i>5,044</i>	4,212	<i>3,509</i>	1,977	<i>1,589</i>	2,235	<i>1,920</i>	7,007	<i>6,557</i>	3,813	<i>3,494</i>	3,194	<i>3,063</i>

* = 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 the 2020 column are italicized to indicate caution should be used when comparing estimates between 2020 and prior years because of methodological changes for 2020. 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.

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. Therefore, some estimates in this table could differ from corresponding estimates in other tables that did not undergo sample size adjustments. See the *2020 National Survey on Drug Use and Health: Methodological Summary and Definitions* for details.

¹ The All People Aged 18-22 column includes those with unknown enrollment status.

² Other People include respondents not enrolled in school, enrolled in college part time, enrolled in other grades either full or part time, or enrolled with no other information available.

³ Illicit Drugs Other Than Marijuana excludes respondents who used only marijuana but includes those who used marijuana in addition to other illicit drugs.

⁴ Estimates of binge alcohol use include use by those who were heavy alcohol users.

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 6.24B Types of Illicit Drug, Tobacco Product, and Alcohol Use in Past Month: Among People Aged 18 to 22; by College Enrollment Status and Gender, Percentages, 2019 and 2020

Substance	All People Aged 18-22 ¹						Full-Time College Students Aged 18-22						Other People Aged 18-22 ²					
	Total		Gender				Total		Gender				Total		Gender			
			Male		Female				Male		Female				Male		Female	
	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020
ILLICIT DRUGS	24.4	<i>22.1</i>	25.8	<i>22.1</i>	23.0	<i>22.0</i>	22.5	<i>20.1</i>	23.9	<i>20.1</i>	21.3	<i>20.0</i>	25.4	<i>23.2</i>	26.6	<i>23.1</i>	24.1	<i>23.4</i>
Marijuana	22.7	<i>21.6</i>	24.0	<i>21.5</i>	21.4	<i>21.8</i>	21.1	<i>19.6</i>	22.6	<i>19.4</i>	19.9	<i>19.8</i>	23.7	<i>22.8</i>	24.8	<i>22.4</i>	22.4	<i>23.1</i>
Cocaine	1.4	<i>1.0</i>	1.2	<i>0.7</i>	1.6	<i>1.2</i>	1.3	<i>0.5</i>	1.1	<i>0.4</i>	1.4	<i>0.5</i>	1.4	<i>1.2</i>	1.2	<i>0.9</i>	1.8	<i>1.6</i>
Crack	0.0	<i>0.1</i>	0.0	<i>0.1</i>	0.1	<i>0.1</i>	*	<i>0.1</i>	*	<i>0.2</i>	*	<i>*</i>	0.1	<i>0.1</i>	0.0	<i>0.1</i>	0.1	<i>0.2</i>
Heroin	0.1	<i>0.0</i>	0.1	<i>*</i>	0.1	<i>0.0</i>	*	<i>*</i>	*	<i>*</i>	*	<i>*</i>	0.1	<i>0.0</i>	0.1	<i>*</i>	0.1	<i>0.0</i>
Hallucinogens	1.9	<i>2.1</i>	2.4	<i>3.1</i>	1.4	<i>1.1</i>	1.4	<i>1.7</i>	1.8	<i>3.0</i>	1.0	<i>0.6</i>	2.2	<i>2.3</i>	2.6	<i>3.2</i>	1.6	<i>1.3</i>
LSD	0.8	<i>0.9</i>	1.1	<i>1.4</i>	0.5	<i>0.5</i>	0.5	<i>0.7</i>	0.7	<i>1.3</i>	0.3	<i>0.2</i>	0.9	<i>1.1</i>	1.2	<i>1.5</i>	0.6	<i>0.6</i>
PCP	0.0	<i>*</i>	0.1	<i>*</i>	0.0	<i>*</i>	0.0	<i>*</i>	*	<i>*</i>	0.0	<i>*</i>	*	<i>*</i>	*	<i>*</i>	*	<i>*</i>
Ecstasy	0.6	<i>0.4</i>	0.7	<i>0.6</i>	0.6	<i>0.3</i>	0.5	<i>0.3</i>	0.7	<i>0.6</i>	0.3	<i>0.1</i>	0.7	<i>0.5</i>	0.7	<i>0.5</i>	0.7	<i>0.3</i>
Inhalants	0.5	<i>0.4</i>	0.6	<i>0.3</i>	0.4	<i>0.5</i>	0.5	<i>0.3</i>	0.4	<i>0.3</i>	0.6	<i>0.2</i>	0.5	<i>0.5</i>	0.7	<i>0.4</i>	0.4	<i>0.7</i>
Methamphetamine	0.2	<i>0.3</i>	0.3	<i>0.1</i>	0.1	<i>0.4</i>	0.1	<i>0.0</i>	0.2	<i>*</i>	0.0	<i>0.0</i>	0.3	<i>0.4</i>	0.4	<i>0.2</i>	0.2	<i>0.6</i>
Misuse of Prescription Psychotherapeutics	3.3	<i>1.8</i>	3.2	<i>1.9</i>	3.4	<i>1.7</i>	3.2	<i>1.4</i>	3.4	<i>1.6</i>	3.1	<i>1.2</i>	3.4	<i>2.1</i>	3.1	<i>2.1</i>	3.7	<i>2.0</i>
Pain Relievers	1.1	<i>0.7</i>	0.8	<i>0.7</i>	1.5	<i>0.6</i>	0.4	<i>0.6</i>	0.3	<i>0.6</i>	0.6	<i>0.7</i>	1.5	<i>0.7</i>	1.0	<i>0.8</i>	2.1	<i>0.6</i>
Stimulants	1.8	<i>0.6</i>	1.9	<i>0.6</i>	1.7	<i>0.6</i>	2.4	<i>0.7</i>	2.9	<i>0.9</i>	2.0	<i>0.6</i>	1.4	<i>0.6</i>	1.4	<i>0.5</i>	1.5	<i>0.6</i>
Tranquilizers or Sedatives	1.0	<i>0.9</i>	1.1	<i>1.0</i>	0.9	<i>0.8</i>	0.6	<i>0.2</i>	0.6	<i>0.5</i>	0.7	<i>*</i>	1.2	<i>1.3</i>	1.3	<i>1.2</i>	1.0	<i>1.3</i>
Tranquilizers	0.9	<i>0.9</i>	1.0	<i>0.9</i>	0.8	<i>0.8</i>	0.5	<i>0.2</i>	0.4	<i>0.5</i>	0.5	<i>*</i>	1.1	<i>1.2</i>	1.3	<i>1.2</i>	1.0	<i>1.3</i>
Sedatives	0.1	<i>0.2</i>	0.1	<i>0.2</i>	0.1	<i>0.3</i>	0.2	<i>*</i>	0.1	<i>*</i>	0.2	<i>*</i>	0.1	<i>0.4</i>	0.1	<i>0.3</i>	0.1	<i>0.4</i>
Benzodiazepines	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Opioids	1.2	<i>0.7</i>	0.8	<i>0.7</i>	1.5	<i>0.6</i>	0.4	<i>0.6</i>	0.3	<i>0.6</i>	0.6	<i>0.7</i>	1.5	<i>0.7</i>	1.1	<i>0.8</i>	2.1	<i>0.6</i>
Illicit Drugs Other than Marijuana ³	5.8	<i>4.4</i>	6.1	<i>5.4</i>	5.4	<i>3.4</i>	4.8	<i>3.4</i>	5.4	<i>4.5</i>	4.3	<i>2.3</i>	6.2	<i>5.0</i>	6.3	<i>5.9</i>	6.1	<i>4.0</i>
TOBACCO PRODUCTS	22.1	<i>17.6</i>	28.0	<i>21.7</i>	16.0	<i>13.4</i>	15.0	<i>11.4</i>	22.0	<i>17.1</i>	9.0	<i>6.6</i>	26.1	<i>20.5</i>	31.0	<i>23.3</i>	20.5	<i>17.3</i>
Cigarettes	15.5	<i>12.1</i>	18.5	<i>13.8</i>	12.5	<i>10.4</i>	8.3	<i>6.1</i>	11.1	<i>8.5</i>	5.9	<i>4.1</i>	19.6	<i>14.9</i>	22.0	<i>15.7</i>	16.8	<i>14.0</i>
Daily Cigarettes	4.8	<i>3.7</i>	5.4	<i>3.9</i>	4.2	<i>3.6</i>	1.0	<i>0.5</i>	1.2	<i>0.6</i>	0.7	<i>0.4</i>	7.1	<i>5.3</i>	7.4	<i>5.0</i>	6.6	<i>5.6</i>
Smokeless Tobacco	4.6	<i>3.8</i>	7.6	<i>6.5</i>	1.5	<i>1.1</i>	4.0	<i>2.9</i>	6.7	<i>5.1</i>	1.7	<i>0.9</i>	4.9	<i>4.3</i>	8.0	<i>7.1</i>	1.3	<i>1.2</i>
Cigars	7.5	<i>5.5</i>	10.5	<i>7.5</i>	4.4	<i>3.4</i>	6.0	<i>4.3</i>	9.8	<i>6.7</i>	2.7	<i>2.2</i>	8.3	<i>5.8</i>	10.8	<i>7.5</i>	5.4	<i>4.0</i>
Pipe Tobacco	1.4	<i>1.3</i>	1.8	<i>1.8</i>	0.9	<i>0.7</i>	0.8	<i>1.1</i>	1.2	<i>1.6</i>	0.5	<i>0.7</i>	1.6	<i>1.4</i>	2.0	<i>1.9</i>	1.1	<i>0.8</i>
ALCOHOL	47.1	<i>43.6</i>	45.6	<i>43.3</i>	48.6	<i>43.9</i>	52.5	<i>48.2</i>	51.4	<i>46.9</i>	53.4	<i>49.4</i>	44.0	<i>41.6</i>	42.8	<i>42.2</i>	45.4	<i>41.0</i>
Binge Alcohol Use ⁴	29.6	<i>26.6</i>	29.5	<i>26.6</i>	29.8	<i>26.7</i>	33.0	<i>28.5</i>	34.9	<i>28.5</i>	31.3	<i>28.6</i>	27.7	<i>25.8</i>	26.8	<i>26.2</i>	28.8	<i>25.4</i>
Heavy Alcohol Use	7.0	<i>7.3</i>	7.8	<i>8.4</i>	6.1	<i>6.2</i>	8.2	<i>7.8</i>	9.7	<i>10.3</i>	6.8	<i>5.7</i>	6.4	<i>7.1</i>	6.9	<i>7.8</i>	5.7	<i>6.3</i>
GENERAL SUBSTANCES																		
Illicit Drugs, Tobacco Products, or Alcohol	57.4	<i>52.1</i>	58.3	<i>51.9</i>	56.6	<i>52.4</i>	58.4	<i>53.0</i>	58.7	<i>51.4</i>	58.2	<i>54.3</i>	57.0	<i>51.8</i>	58.2	<i>52.2</i>	55.5	<i>51.3</i>
Illicit Drugs or Alcohol	53.0	<i>49.1</i>	52.6	<i>48.6</i>	53.5	<i>49.7</i>	56.5	<i>52.1</i>	55.5	<i>50.2</i>	57.3	<i>53.7</i>	51.1	<i>47.8</i>	51.3	<i>48.0</i>	50.9	<i>47.5</i>
Tobacco Products or Alcohol	53.7	<i>48.8</i>	54.3	<i>48.8</i>	53.2	<i>48.7</i>	55.2	<i>49.9</i>	55.8	<i>48.9</i>	54.7	<i>50.8</i>	53.0	<i>48.3</i>	53.6	<i>48.9</i>	52.2	<i>47.7</i>

* = 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 the 2020 column are italicized to indicate caution should be used when comparing estimates between 2020 and prior years because of methodological changes for 2020. 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.

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. Therefore, some estimates in this table could differ from corresponding estimates in other tables that did not undergo sample size adjustments. See the *2020 National Survey on Drug Use and Health: Methodological Summary and Definitions* for details.

¹ The All People Aged 18-22 column includes those with unknown enrollment status.

² Other People include respondents not enrolled in school, enrolled in college part time, enrolled in other grades either full or part time, or enrolled with no other information available.

³ Illicit Drugs Other Than Marijuana excludes respondents who used only marijuana but includes those who used marijuana in addition to other illicit drugs.

⁴ Estimates of binge alcohol use include use by those who were heavy alcohol users.

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.