

Table 7.40C Past Year Initiation of Substance Use: Among People Aged 12 or Older; Standard Errors of Numbers in Thousands, 2002-2020

Substance	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
ILLICIT DRUGS	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Marijuana	70	70	81	121	79	77	89	79	93	97	96	86	95	95	99	117	103	130	178
Cocaine	61	56	65	50	60	57	52	47	57	48	48	47	57	68	73	69	67	56	59
Crack	44	36	29	30	31	72	34	15	20	14	16	13	24	9	19	21	26	27	23
Heroin	20	20	28	20	15	21	23	30	24	26	23	36	35	24	29	17	24	18	58
Hallucinogens	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	69	70	68	72	82	133
LSD	30	20	25	29	32	23	31	28	39	30	41	40	48	45	62	51	60	70	104
PCP	15	14	20	13	13	11	10	9	11	10	21	7	10	11	20	8	6	9	27
Ecstasy	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	62	55	56	58	56	84
Inhalants	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	44	43	42	45	54	79
Methamphetamine	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	37	32	31	31	33	41
Misuse of Prescription Psychotherapeutics ¹	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Pain Relievers ¹	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	115	119	119	121	113	136
Stimulants	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	80	89	76	64	63	112
Tranquilizers or Sedatives	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Tranquilizers	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	94	77	102	88	78	149
Sedatives	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	63	42	42	38	49	108
Benzodiazepines	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Opioids	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Illicit Drugs Other Than Marijuana ²	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
CIGARETTES	75	72	72	86	79	71	90	89	81	86	89	81	90	77	77	80	89	79	110
Daily Cigarette Use	64	58	55	58	54	52	57	66	57	55	53	52	51	45	54	47	43	51	78
SMOKELESS TOBACCO	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	75	86	61	66	68	95
CIGARS	103	99	112	113	104	107	105	121	120	143	108	144	104	110	103	107	101	100	132
ALCOHOL	101	104	127	108	107	111	116	112	131	124	130	113	127	126	126	136	129	136	202

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Substance	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
ILLICIT DRUGS	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Marijuana	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.05	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.06
Cocaine	0.03	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.02
Crack	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.03	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
Heroin	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02
Hallucinogens	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.05
LSD	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.04
PCP	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01
Ecstasy	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.03
Inhalants	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.03
Methamphetamine	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
Misuse of Prescription Psychotherapeutics ¹	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Pain Relievers ¹	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.05
Stimulants	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.04
Tranquilizers or Sedatives	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Tranquilizers	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.04	0.03	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.05
Sedatives	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.04
Benzodiazepines	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Opioids	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Illicit Drugs Other Than Marijuana ²	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
CIGARETTES	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.04
Daily Cigarette Use	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.03
SMOKELESS TOBACCO	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.03
CIGARS	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.04	0.06	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.05
ALCOHOL	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.07

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ILLICIT DRUGS	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Marijuana	50	45	45	44	48	45	49	49	51	53	49	46	52	50	50	52	56	58	89
Cocaine	24	22	23	23	22	22	20	17	18	16	16	13	20	16	16	14	15	14	26
Crack	13	11	9	7	8	10	5	5	4	5	8	4	5	*	3	4	3	7	2
Heroin	10	7	8	5	7	5	10	5	7	10	7	6	7	4	3	4	4	*	*
Hallucinogens	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	31	26	28	23	26	41
LSD	18	13	13	14	11	13	16	12	15	16	15	14	22	24	18	20	18	23	34
PCP	11	10	9	11	10	8	7	7	6	7	11	6	6	11	4	5	3	7	*
Ecstasy	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	22	19	20	18	19	19
Inhalants	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	27	23	25	29	28	57
Methamphetamine	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	8	5	7	8	7	4
Misuse of Prescription Psychotherapeutics ¹	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Pain Relievers ¹	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	32	30	29	28	26	33
Stimulants	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	27	28	25	19	26	26
Tranquilizers or Sedatives	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Tranquilizers	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	23	22	23	23	22	33
Sedatives	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	11	11	9	10	7	8
Benzodiazepines	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Opioids	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Illicit Drugs Other Than Marijuana ²	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
CIGARETTES	44	47	50	50	48	48	50	50	47	46	43	41	44	43	42	37	38	38	54
Daily Cigarette Use	27	27	32	24	27	23	23	24	24	22	22	19	19	15	14	13	11	12	14
SMOKELESS TOBACCO	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	29	28	29	25	29	29
CIGARS	40	46	48	47	42	44	43	43	40	41	38	36	41	37	34	35	31	34	58
ALCOHOL	64	65	73	69	68	69	64	69	62	69	72	67	67	75	71	66	76	73	117

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Substance	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
ILLICIT DRUGS	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Marijuana	0.20	0.18	0.18	0.17	0.19	0.18	0.20	0.20	0.21	0.21	0.20	0.18	0.21	0.20	0.20	0.21	0.22	0.23	0.35
Cocaine	0.10	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.08	0.09	0.08	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.06	0.05	0.08	0.07	0.06	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.10
Crack	0.05	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.01	0.02	*	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.03	0.01
Heroin	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.04	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.03	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.02	*	*
Hallucinogens	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.12	0.11	0.11	0.09	0.11	0.16
LSD	0.07	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.05	0.07	0.05	0.06	0.07	0.06	0.06	0.09	0.10	0.07	0.08	0.07	0.09	0.14
PCP	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.02	0.02	0.04	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.03	*
Ecstasy	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.09	0.08	0.08	0.07	0.08	0.08
Inhalants	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.11	0.09	0.10	0.12	0.11	0.23
Methamphetamine	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.03	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.02
Misuse of Prescription Psychotherapeutics ¹	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Pain Relievers ¹	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.13	0.12	0.11	0.11	0.10	0.13
Stimulants	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.11	0.11	0.10	0.08	0.11	0.10
Tranquilizers or Sedatives	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Tranquilizers	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.13
Sedatives	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.03
Benzodiazepines	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Opioids	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Illicit Drugs Other Than Marijuana ²	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
CIGARETTES	0.18	0.19	0.20	0.20	0.19	0.19	0.20	0.20	0.19	0.18	0.17	0.16	0.18	0.17	0.17	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.22
Daily Cigarette Use	0.11	0.11	0.13	0.10	0.11	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.09	0.09	0.08	0.08	0.06	0.06	0.05	0.04	0.05	0.06
SMOKELESS TOBACCO	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.12	0.11	0.12	0.10	0.12	0.12
CIGARS	0.16	0.18	0.19	0.19	0.17	0.18	0.17	0.17	0.16	0.17	0.15	0.14	0.17	0.15	0.14	0.14	0.12	0.14	0.23
ALCOHOL	0.26	0.26	0.29	0.27	0.27	0.27	0.26	0.28	0.25	0.28	0.29	0.27	0.27	0.30	0.29	0.26	0.30	0.29	0.47

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ILLICIT DRUGS	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Marijuana	44	48	66	107	61	61	70	59	79	80	81	71	78	82	83	107	90	116	154
Cocaine	55	51	60	44	57	50	47	44	54	45	46	45	52	67	71	68	66	53	51
Crack	41	35	27	29	30	71	34	15	19	12	14	13	23	9	19	20	26	27	23
Heroin	17	18	27	20	13	20	20	30	23	24	22	35	34	24	29	17	24	18	58
Hallucinogens	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	63	62	61	68	77	127
LSD	23	15	22	25	29	19	27	26	36	25	38	37	42	41	58	48	58	65	98
PCP	11	10	17	6	8	7	6	6	9	8	18	5	8	*	19	*	*	6	27
Ecstasy	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	58	51	53	55	55	82
Inhalants	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	34	37	37	33	44	56
Methamphetamine	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	36	32	30	29	33	41
Misuse of Prescription Psychotherapeutics ¹	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Pain Relievers ¹	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	112	115	117	115	109	129
Stimulants	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	76	85	70	60	57	107
Tranquilizers or Sedatives	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Tranquilizers	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	91	75	98	86	75	146
Sedatives	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	62	41	41	36	49	108
Benzodiazepines	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Opioids	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Illicit Drugs Other Than Marijuana ²	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
CIGARETTES	57	56	52	62	62	52	70	72	63	69	75	67	78	64	66	69	77	67	98
Daily Cigarette Use	59	52	46	54	48	46	52	61	50	50	47	49	47	43	52	46	42	50	78
SMOKELESS TOBACCO	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	69	81	52	60	62	91
CIGARS	94	88	97	104	97	96	95	114	113	134	98	140	92	101	99	99	95	93	119
ALCOHOL	67	70	98	76	76	83	91	80	109	95	102	87	100	96	103	118	94	105	160

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NOTE: Methodological limitations preclude the estimation of past year initiates for aggregate substance use categories having at least one prescription psychotherapeutic, including categories for overall illicit drugs, misuse of prescription psychotherapeutics, tranquilizers or sedatives, opioids, and illicit drugs other than marijuana (see Chapter 3 of the *2020 National Survey on Drug Use and Health: Methodological Summary and Definitions*).

¹ Prescription psychotherapeutic subtypes were revised in 2016; one effect was the comparability of codeine products between 2015 and later years.

² Illicit Drugs Other Than Marijuana excludes respondents who used only marijuana but includes those who used marijuana in addition to other illicit drugs.

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, 2002-2019, and Quarters 1 and 4, 2020.

Table 7.42D Past Year Initiation of Substance Use: Among People Aged 18 or Older; Standard Errors of Percentages, 2002-2020

Substance	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
ILLICIT DRUGS	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Marijuana	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.05	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.06
Cocaine	0.03	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.02
Crack	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.03	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
Heroin	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02
Hallucinogens	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.05
LSD	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.04
PCP	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	*	0.01	*	*	0.00	0.01
Ecstasy	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.03
Inhalants	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.02
Methamphetamine	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02
Misuse of Prescription Psychotherapeutics ¹	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Pain Relievers ¹	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.05
Stimulants	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.04
Tranquilizers or Sedatives	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Tranquilizers	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.04	0.03	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.06
Sedatives	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.04
Benzodiazepines	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Opioids	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Illicit Drugs Other Than Marijuana ²	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
CIGARETTES	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.04
Daily Cigarette Use	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.03
SMOKELESS TOBACCO	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.04
CIGARS	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.04	0.06	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.05
ALCOHOL	0.03	0.03	0.05	0.04	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.06

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² Illicit Drugs Other Than Marijuana excludes respondents who used only marijuana but includes those who used marijuana in addition to other illicit drugs.

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, 2002-2019, and Quarters 1 and 4, 2020.

Table 7.43C Past Year Initiation of Substance Use: Among People Aged 18 to 25; Standard Errors of Numbers in Thousands, 2002-2020

Substance	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
ILLICIT DRUGS	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Marijuana	37	37	45	45	46	45	49	55	51	61	57	54	62	57	58	73	64	65	104
Cocaine	42	36	41	35	40	38	33	32	32	38	37	37	40	52	57	52	50	42	47
Crack	15	15	17	21	18	15	15	11	8	9	11	6	14	9	14	7	10	6	14
Heroin	13	9	10	13	12	14	11	13	15	17	16	13	15	12	19	13	10	8	8
Hallucinogens	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	54	53	47	51	54	103
LSD	18	14	16	16	22	18	23	25	33	23	33	31	37	35	48	39	42	46	81
PCP	11	9	14	6	8	7	6	6	9	8	8	5	8	4	6	5	5	6	27
Ecstasy	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	45	42	44	45	41	54
Inhalants	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	25	26	25	27	30	38
Methamphetamine	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	21	15	18	14	14	17
Misuse of Prescription Psychotherapeutics ¹	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Pain Relievers ¹	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	43	50	40	36	34	50
Stimulants	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	48	49	47	40	37	50
Tranquilizers or Sedatives	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Tranquilizers	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	40	45	40	38	38	55
Sedatives	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	16	18	12	16	11	23
Benzodiazepines	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Opioids	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Illicit Drugs Other Than Marijuana ²	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
CIGARETTES	40	45	46	46	52	48	58	60	54	59	65	57	72	58	61	61	65	56	84
Daily Cigarette Use	31	35	36	33	36	38	35	39	44	37	39	36	40	34	37	36	35	25	48
SMOKELESS TOBACCO	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	43	39	34	38	37	84
CIGARS	46	48	54	58	54	58	54	61	66	58	61	61	67	67	68	64	64	64	72
ALCOHOL	51	64	62	61	68	70	68	66	79	80	77	76	86	78	86	95	86	88	136

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Table 7.43D Past Year Initiation of Substance Use: Among People Aged 18 to 25; Standard Errors of Percentages, 2002-2020

Substance	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
ILLICIT DRUGS	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Marijuana	0.12	0.12	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.15	0.16	0.15	0.18	0.17	0.16	0.18	0.16	0.17	0.21	0.19	0.19	<i>0.31</i>
Cocaine	0.14	0.12	0.13	0.11	0.12	0.12	0.10	0.10	0.09	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.15	0.16	0.15	0.15	0.12	<i>0.14</i>
Crack	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.03	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.04	0.03	0.04	0.02	0.03	0.02	<i>0.04</i>
Heroin	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.06	0.04	0.03	0.02	<i>0.02</i>
Hallucinogens	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.15	0.15	0.14	0.15	0.16	<i>0.31</i>
LSD	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.07	0.06	0.07	0.07	0.10	0.07	0.10	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.14	0.11	0.12	0.14	<i>0.24</i>
PCP	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.02	<i>0.08</i>
Ecstasy	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.13	0.12	0.13	0.13	0.12	<i>0.16</i>
Inhalants	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.07	0.08	0.07	0.08	0.09	<i>0.11</i>
Methamphetamine	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.06	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.04	<i>0.05</i>
Misuse of Prescription																			
Psychotherapeutics ¹	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Pain Relievers ¹	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.12	0.15	0.12	0.11	0.10	<i>0.15</i>
Stimulants	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.12	0.11	<i>0.15</i>
Tranquilizers or Sedatives	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Tranquilizers	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.11	0.13	0.12	0.11	0.11	<i>0.16</i>
Sedatives	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.04	0.05	0.03	0.05	0.03	<i>0.07</i>
Benzodiazepines	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Opioids	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Illicit Drugs Other Than Marijuana ²	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
CIGARETTES	0.13	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.16	0.15	0.18	0.18	0.16	0.17	0.19	0.17	0.21	0.17	0.18	0.18	0.19	0.17	<i>0.25</i>
Daily Cigarette Use	0.10	0.11	0.11	0.10	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.12	0.13	0.11	0.11	0.10	0.12	0.10	0.11	0.10	0.10	0.08	<i>0.14</i>
SMOKELESS TOBACCO	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.12	0.11	0.10	0.11	0.11	<i>0.25</i>
CIGARS	0.15	0.15	0.17	0.18	0.17	0.18	0.16	0.18	0.19	0.17	0.18	0.18	0.19	0.19	0.20	0.19	0.19	0.19	<i>0.22</i>
ALCOHOL	0.16	0.20	0.19	0.19	0.21	0.21	0.21	0.20	0.23	0.23	0.22	0.22	0.25	0.22	0.25	0.28	0.25	0.26	<i>0.41</i>

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Table 7.44C Past Year Initiation of Substance Use: Among People Aged 26 or Older; Standard Errors of Numbers in Thousands, 2002-2020

Substance	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
ILLICIT DRUGS	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Marijuana	25	30	47	97	33	37	45	15	60	49	53	44	45	55	53	68	61	94	<i>111</i>
Cocaine	33	36	39	23	38	32	34	28	41	22	26	29	35	39	39	37	34	32	23
Crack	38	31	21	19	24	69	30	10	18	9	8	11	18	*	13	19	23	26	18
Heroin	11	16	25	15	6	14	17	27	17	17	15	32	31	20	21	11	22	16	57
Hallucinogens	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	29	30	35	43	47	74
LSD	13	*	15	19	19	*	12	*	15	8	16	25	19	20	32	28	35	44	45
PCP	*	*	10	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	16	*	*	*	19	*	*	*	*
Ecstasy	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	31	27	31	33	36	60
Inhalants	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	20	25	27	19	30	42
Methamphetamine	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	29	28	24	25	29	37
Misuse of Prescription Psychotherapeutics ¹	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Pain Relievers ¹	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	101	102	111	109	105	117
Stimulants	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	57	65	54	46	45	94
Tranquilizers or Sedatives	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Tranquilizers	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	82	59	89	76	64	136
Sedatives	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	61	37	39	33	47	106
Benzodiazepines	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Opioids	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Illicit Drugs Other Than Marijuana ²	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
CIGARETTES	36	31	20	40	30	15	31	35	24	25	28	32	29	20	20	29	29	25	45
Daily Cigarette Use	48	39	29	42	33	23	37	49	23	32	27	31	25	24	35	26	24	43	64
SMOKELESS TOBACCO	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	53	72	41	46	50	35
CIGARS	82	74	79	86	77	73	77	90	87	119	72	126	62	75	72	75	62	69	94
ALCOHOL	40	21	74	31	22	32	50	34	76	32	56	26	37	48	44	38	16	40	56

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Table 7.44D Past Year Initiation of Substance Use: Among People Aged 26 or Older; Standard Errors of Percentages, 2002-2020

Substance	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
ILLICIT DRUGS	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Marijuana	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.05	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.03	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.05
Cocaine	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01
Crack	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.04	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01	*	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
Heroin	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.03
Hallucinogens	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.03
LSD	0.01	*	0.01	0.01	0.01	*	0.01	*	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02
PCP	*	*	0.01	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	0.01	*	*	*	0.01	*	*	*	*
Ecstasy	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.03
Inhalants	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02
Methamphetamine	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02
Misuse of Prescription Psychotherapeutics ¹	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Pain Relievers ¹	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05
Stimulants	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.04
Tranquilizers or Sedatives	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Tranquilizers	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.04	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.06
Sedatives	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.05
Benzodiazepines	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Opioids	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
Illicit Drugs Other Than Marijuana ²	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
CIGARETTES	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02
Daily Cigarette Use	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.03
SMOKELESS TOBACCO	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02
CIGARS	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.06	0.04	0.06	0.03	0.04	0.03	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.04
ALCOHOL	0.02	0.01	0.04	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.04	0.02	0.03	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.03

* = 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: Some 2006 to 2010 estimates may differ from previously published estimates due to updates (see Chapter 3 of the *2020 National Survey on Drug Use and Health: Methodological Summary and Definitions*).

NOTE: Methodological limitations preclude the estimation of past year initiates for aggregate substance use categories having at least one prescription psychotherapeutic, including categories for overall illicit drugs, misuse of prescription psychotherapeutics, tranquilizers or sedatives, opioids, and illicit drugs other than marijuana (see Chapter 3 of the *2020 National Survey on Drug Use and Health: Methodological Summary and Definitions*).

¹ Prescription psychotherapeutic subtypes were revised in 2016; one effect was the comparability of codeine products between 2015 and later years.

² Illicit Drugs Other Than Marijuana excludes respondents who used only marijuana but includes those who used marijuana in addition to other illicit drugs.

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, 2002-2019, and Quarters 1 and 4, 2020.