

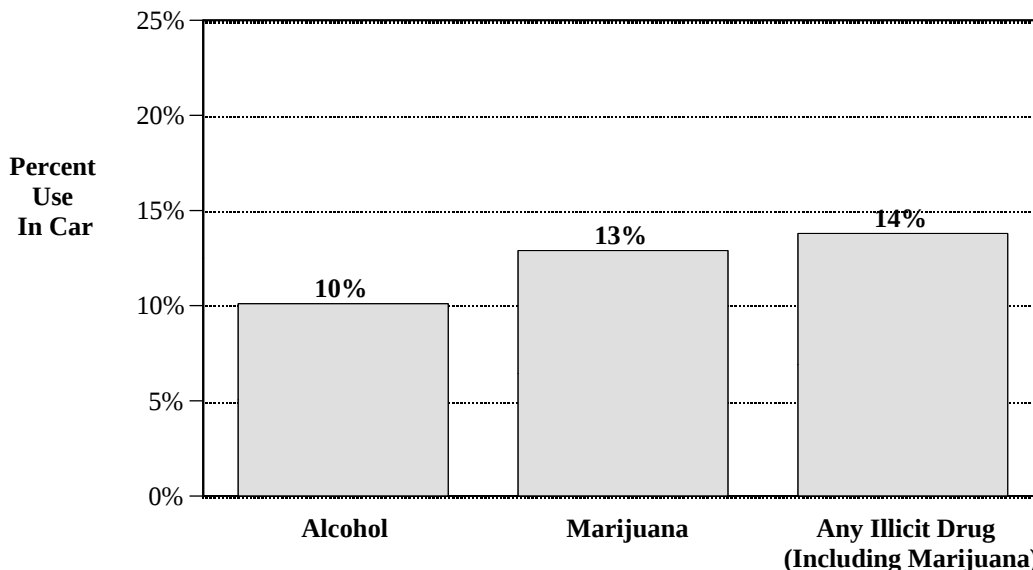
A Weekly FAX from the Center for Substance Abuse Research

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High School Seniors More Likely to Use Illicit Drugs than Alcohol in Cars

High school seniors are more likely to use illicit drugs than alcohol in a car, according to findings from the 2006 national PRIDE Survey. Ten percent of 12th graders reported that the usual place they drink alcohol is in a car, while 13% said they usually use marijuana and 14% said they use illicit drugs in a car. Similar results were found for 10th and 11th grade students, while 9th graders were about equally likely to use alcohol or illicit drugs in a car (data not shown). While the survey question did not ask if the student was driving, the findings suggest that “illicit drugs may be more prevalent than alcohol in teenage impaired driving.”

Percentage of U.S. 12th Grade Students Reporting They Usually Use Alcohol, Marijuana, or Any Illicit Drug in a Car, 2006



SOURCE: Adapted by CESAR from International Survey Associates, “Teen Drug Use in Cars,” *PRIDE Newsletter*, January 16, 2007. Available online at <http://www.pridesurveys.com/newsletters/archive/011007.htm>.

Historic Drug Czar Conference DVD Now Available!

On June 17th, 2006, CESAR and the Institute for Behavior and Health sponsored a Drug Czar Conference at the University of Maryland. The one-day meeting featured seven of the eleven men who have served as heads of the White House drug abuse prevention office. An unedited 6 DVD set of this historic meeting is now available for \$95, including shipping. Ordering information is available online at <http://www.cesar.umd.edu>.

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