

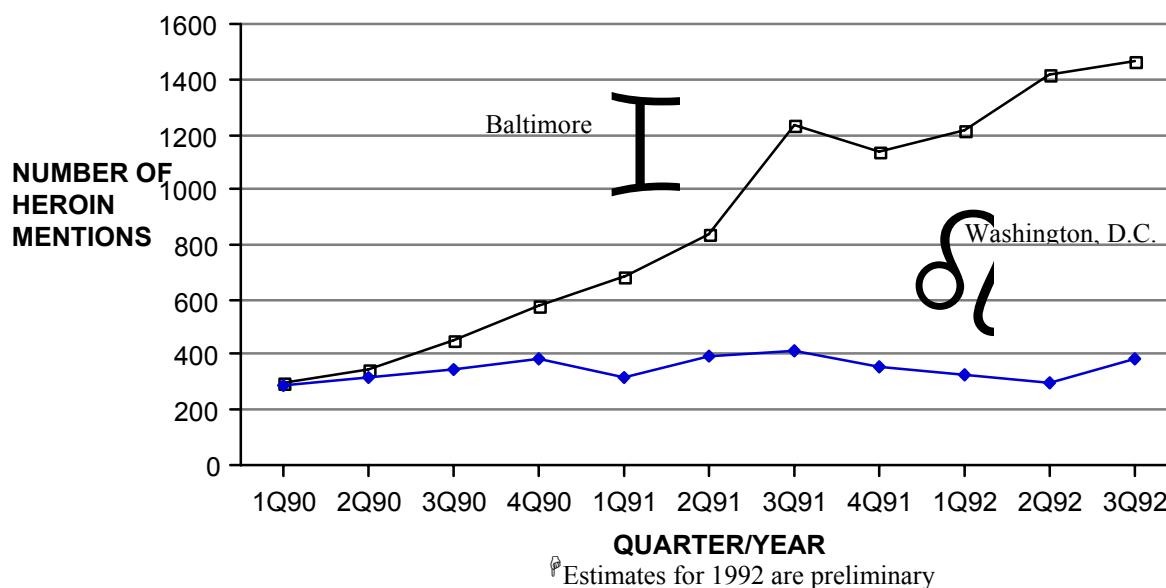
A Weekly FAX from the Center for Substance Abuse Research

University of Maryland at College Park*

Heroin Related Emergency Room Mentions Rise In Baltimore But Remain Stable In Washington, D.C.

Data from the Drug Abuse Warning Network (DAWN) show dramatic increases in heroin related emergency room (ER) episodes in the Baltimore metropolitan area. Heroin ER mentions increased from 298 in the 1st quarter of 1990 to 1,469 in the 3rd quarter of 1992, a 393% increase. During this same time period, heroin related ER mentions in Washington, D.C. remained relatively stable at between 287 and 392 mentions.

**Estimates of Heroin Related Emergency Room (ER) Mentions
For Baltimore and Washington, D.C.**
(First Quarter, 1990 to Third Quarter, 1992)



SOURCE: Drug Abuse Warning Network (DAWN), Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA).

CALL THE NEW CESAR BOARD NOW!

(301) 403-8343 or 1-800-84-CESAR toll-free for Maryland callers only!

We've switched to enhanced software to offer our users a colorful bulletin board system; on-line databases; better conferencing; enhanced e-mail for networking; plus more features soon to unfold.

For more information about today's topic or to be placed on the distribution list, please call CESAR at 301-403-8329.

* CESAR FAX is supported by a grant from the Governor's Drug and Alcohol Abuse Commission.