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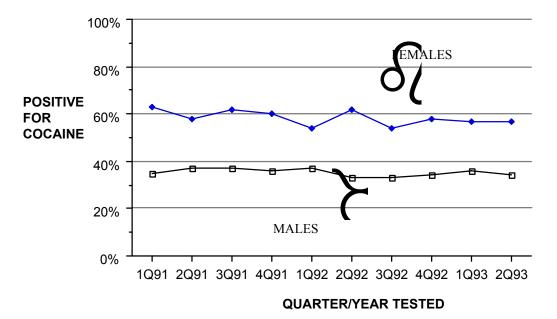
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Cocaine Use Among Arrestees in Prince George's County Parallels Trends Among Arrestees Nationwide

Data from the Prince George's County Pre-Trial Release Unit show a continuing high rate of cocaine positives among arrestees. Female arrestees continue to exhibit higher rates of cocaine use than males. In the 2nd quarter of 1993, 57% of females and 34% of males tested positive for cocaine use. These trends are typical of those found among tested arrestees in large cities across the United States.

Percentage of Booked Arrestees in Prince George's County Testing Positive for Cocaine, By Gender

(N = 17,798 Male and 2,203 Female Arrestees Tested Between January, 1991 and June, 1993)



SOURCE: Adapted by CESAR from data from the Prince George's County Pre-Trial Release Unit.

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