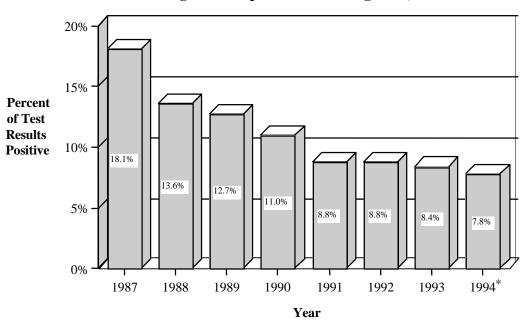
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## Drug Positives in the Workplace Continue to Decline

According to the SmithKline Beecham Drug Testing Index for January through June 1994, the percentage of positive drug tests in the workplace continues to decrease. The overall workplace drug positive rate for the first six months of 1994 was 7.8%, continuing the decline seen over the past seven years. The two drugs most frequently found were marijuana (3.4%) and cocaine (1.9%). SmithKline Beecham Clinical Laboratories (SBCL) has conducted drug tests on over 12 million urine samples from the general workforce since 1987. The substances tested for include marijuana, cocaine, amphetamines, opiates, barbiturates, tranquilizers, and PCP.



Percentage of Workplace Positive Drug Tests, 1987 - 1994\*

\*January through June 1994.

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