

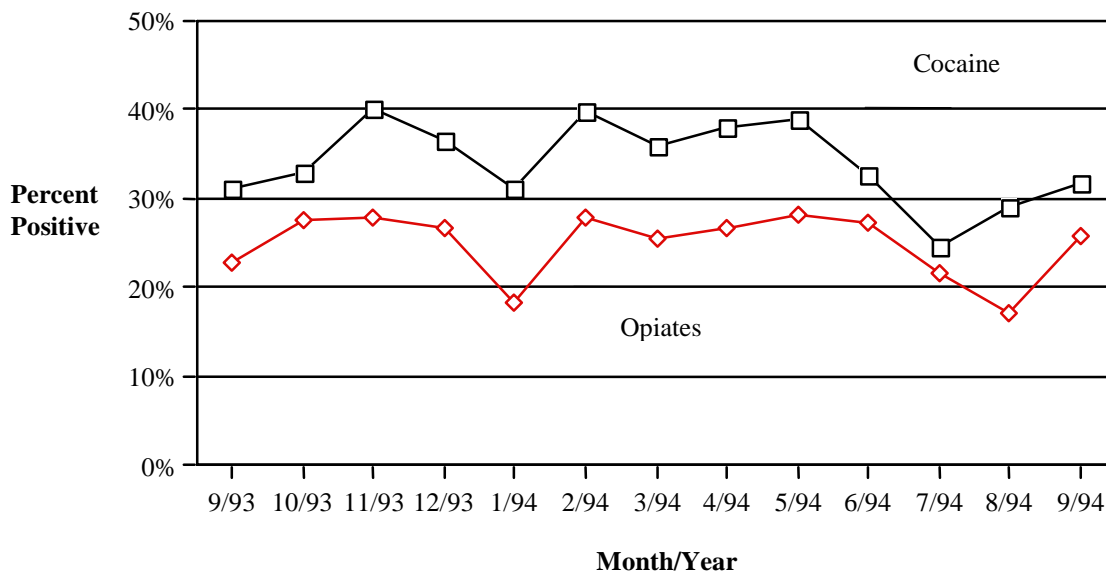
**A Weekly FAX from the Center for Substance Abuse Research**

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## *Cocaine and Opiate Use Continues Among Pretrial Releasees in Baltimore City*

The latest results from the Baltimore City Pretrial Release Services Program show that use of cocaine and opiates (most likely heroin) among pretrial releasees remains at relatively high levels. Almost one-third (32%) of all pretrial releasees tested by urinalysis in September 1994 were positive for cocaine. One-fourth (26%) of those tested were positive for some type of opiate. During the past year, cocaine has continued to be the most frequently detected drug among pretrial releasees.

### **Percentage of Baltimore City Pretrial Releasees Testing Positive for Cocaine or Opiates, September 1993 to September 1994\***



\*Results are calculated using each person's first test record in the data file.

SOURCE: Adapted by CESAR from data from Baltimore City Pretrial Release Services Program.

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