

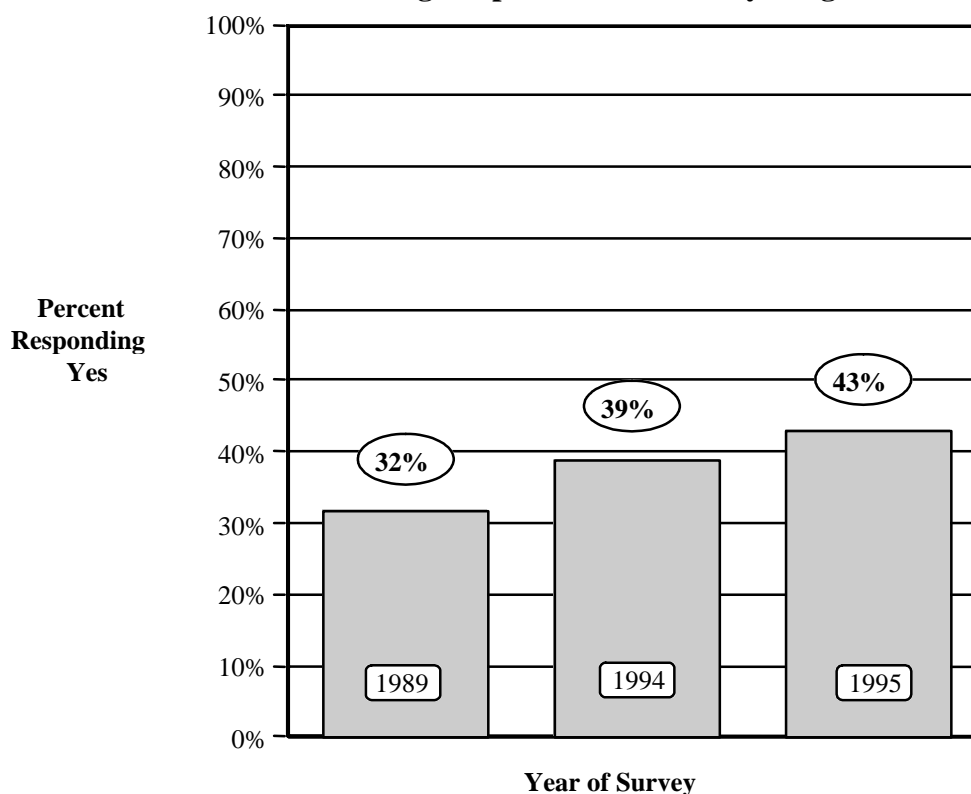
A Weekly FAX from the Center for Substance Abuse Research

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***Over One-Third of Americans Report Making Changes in the Way They Live
Due to Threat of Drug-Related Problems***

A recent national survey conducted for Drug Strategies found that 43% of Americans have changed the way they live because of drug-related problems, up from 32% in 1989. Types of changes include "when or where you shop" and "taking security precautions in your home" (p. 14). The telephone survey, conducted in February 1995, was of 1,003 U.S. householders aged 18 and over.

**"Have you or your family changed the way you live . . .
because of the threat of drugs or problems caused by drug sellers and users?"**



NOTE: The 1989 results are from a *New York Times/Wall Street Journal* poll; the 1994 and 1995 results are from Peter D. Hart Research Associates, Inc.'s polls.

SOURCE: Adapted by CESAR from data from Peter D. Hart Research Associates, Inc.'s telephone survey of 1,003 U.S. residents, February 16-19, 1995. Conducted for Drug Strategies, Washington, D.C. For more information, contact Margaret Beaudry of Drug Strategies at (202) 663-6090.

NEEDLE EXCHANGE DOCUMENTARY RECENTLY RELEASED

"Fire in Our House" is a 10-minute documentary that illustrates the "positive impact that needle exchange programs have on addicts, their families and communities. As a strategic tool that personalizes the terms of the debate, 'Fire in Our House' increases public awareness about needle exchange, influences policies and assists grassroots mobilization." For a free preview copy and the Resource Guide, contact MayDay Media at (202) 338-1094.

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