

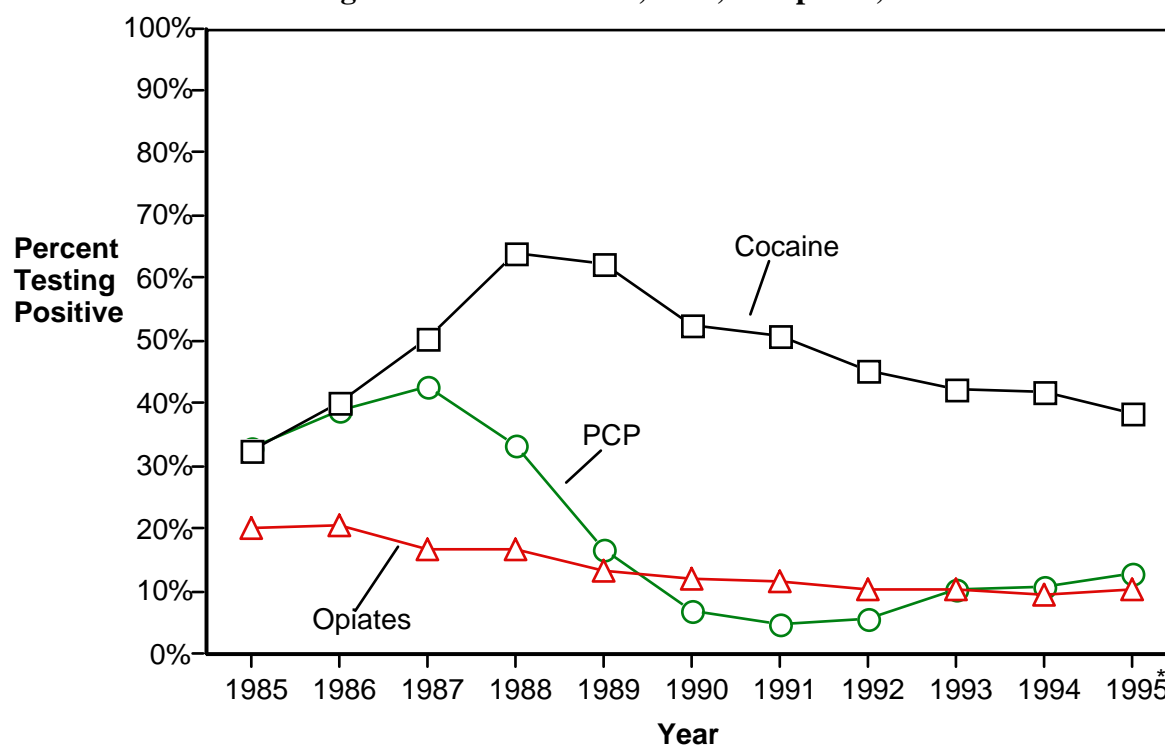
## A Weekly FAX from the Center for Substance Abuse Research

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### *Cocaine Positives Among D.C. Adult Arrestees Continue to Decline*

Data from the D.C. Pretrial Services Agency for the first nine months of 1995 show that cocaine use continues to decline among adult male and female arrestees. While cocaine remains the substance most frequently detected among adult arrestees, positive rates for cocaine have declined from 64% in 1988 to 39% during the first nine months of 1995. The percentage of adult arrestees testing positive for PCP and opiates has leveled off at around 10%. Nearly one-half (49%) of all adult arrestees in D.C. test positive for at least one drug\*.

**Percentage of Washington, D.C. Adult Arrestees  
Testing Positive for Cocaine, PCP, or Opiates, 1984 - 1995**



\*Drugs tested for were amphetamines, cocaine, methadone, opiates, and PCP.

\*Data from January through September 1995.

SOURCE: Adapted by CESAR from data from the District of Columbia Pretrial Services Agency.

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