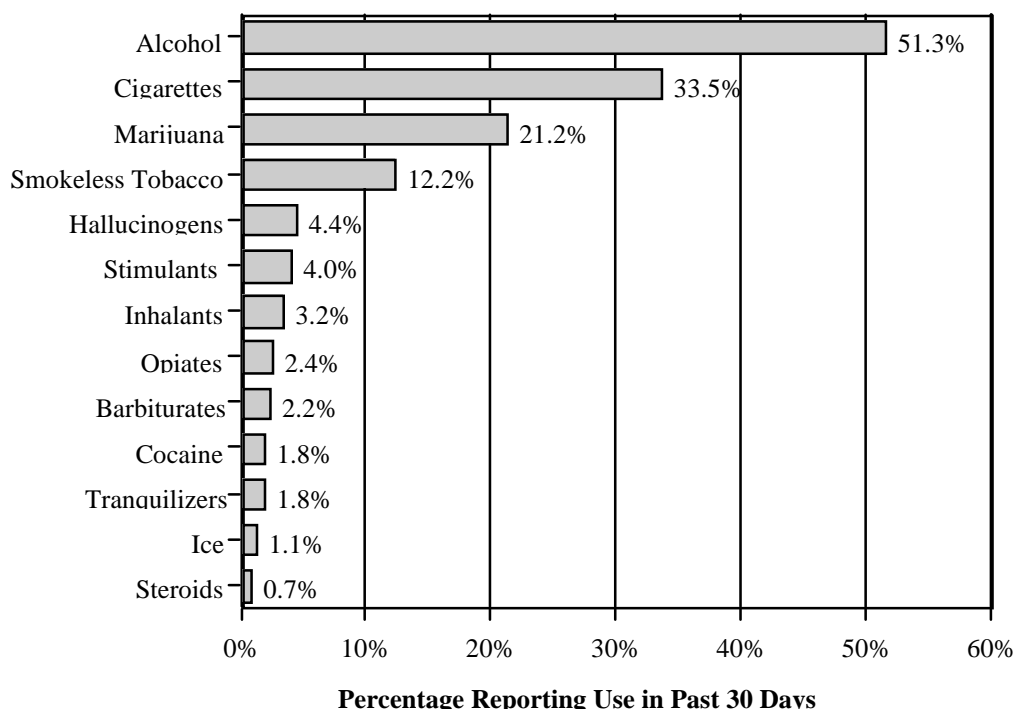


## *Alcohol, Tobacco, and Marijuana Are Substances Used Most Frequently by U.S. High School Students*

Data from the 1995 Monitoring the Future Study show that three of the four substances most frequently used among U.S. 12th grade students are licit substances. One-half (51.3%) of high school seniors reported using alcohol within the past 30 days; cigarette and smokeless tobacco use was reported by 33.5% and 12.2% respectively. Marijuana was the only illicit substance which was used by seniors at a similar level (21.2%). Other illicit drug use was much lower, ranging from 4.4% for hallucinogens to .7% for steroids. Similar results were found for 8th and 10th grade students.

**Percentage of U.S. 12th Grade Students Reporting Current Use of Substances, 1995**



SOURCE: Adapted by CESAR from data from the December 11, 1995 press release on the 1995 Monitoring the Future Study, National Institute on Drug Abuse.

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