

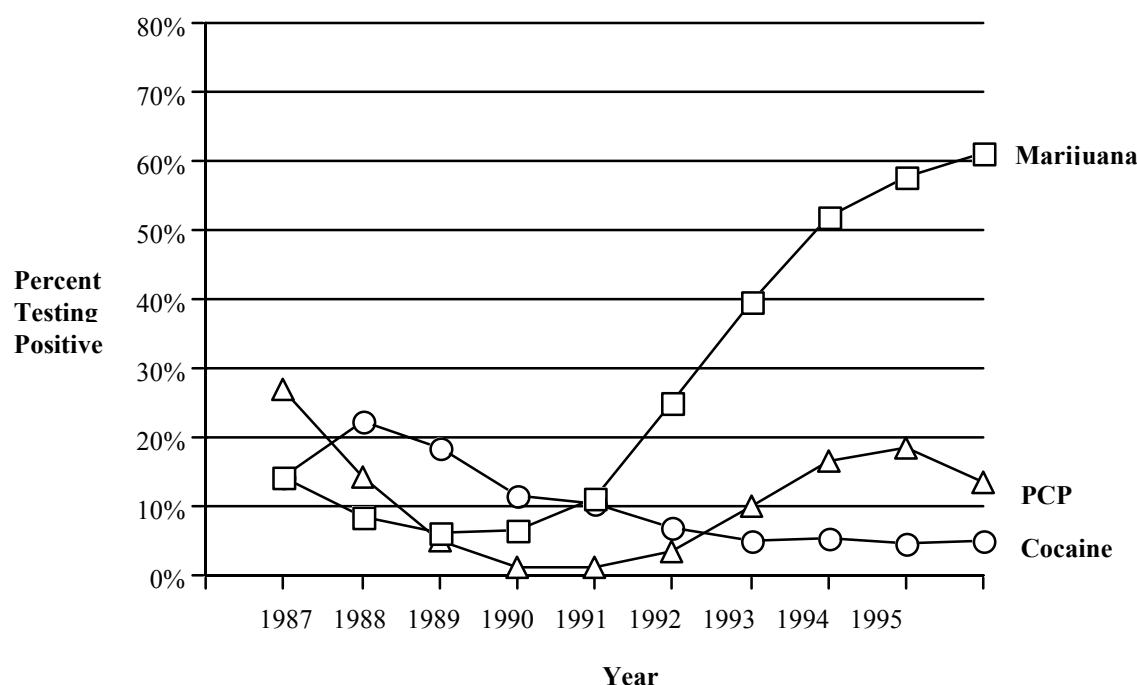
A Weekly FAX from the Center for Substance Abuse Research

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60% of D.C. Juvenile Arrestees Test Positive for Marijuana Use

Data from the D.C. Pretrial Services Agency for the first four months of 1996 suggest that marijuana positives among juvenile arrestees may reach record highs in 1996. During the late 1980s approximately 7% of all juvenile arrestees in the District tested positive for marijuana. Since then this rate has risen dramatically, reaching 61% during the first four months of 1996. Rates of PCP and cocaine positives among juvenile arrestees remain relatively low (13% and 5%, respectively, for the first four months of 1996). For more information, contact Jay Carver at D.C. Pretrial Services Agency, 202-727-2911.

Percentage of Washington, D.C. Juvenile Arrestees Testing Positive by Urinalysis for Cocaine, Marijuana, or PCP, January 1987 - April 1996



*Data from January through April 1996.

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

D.C. PRETRIAL TEST RESULTS AVAILABLE ON THE CESAR BOARD

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