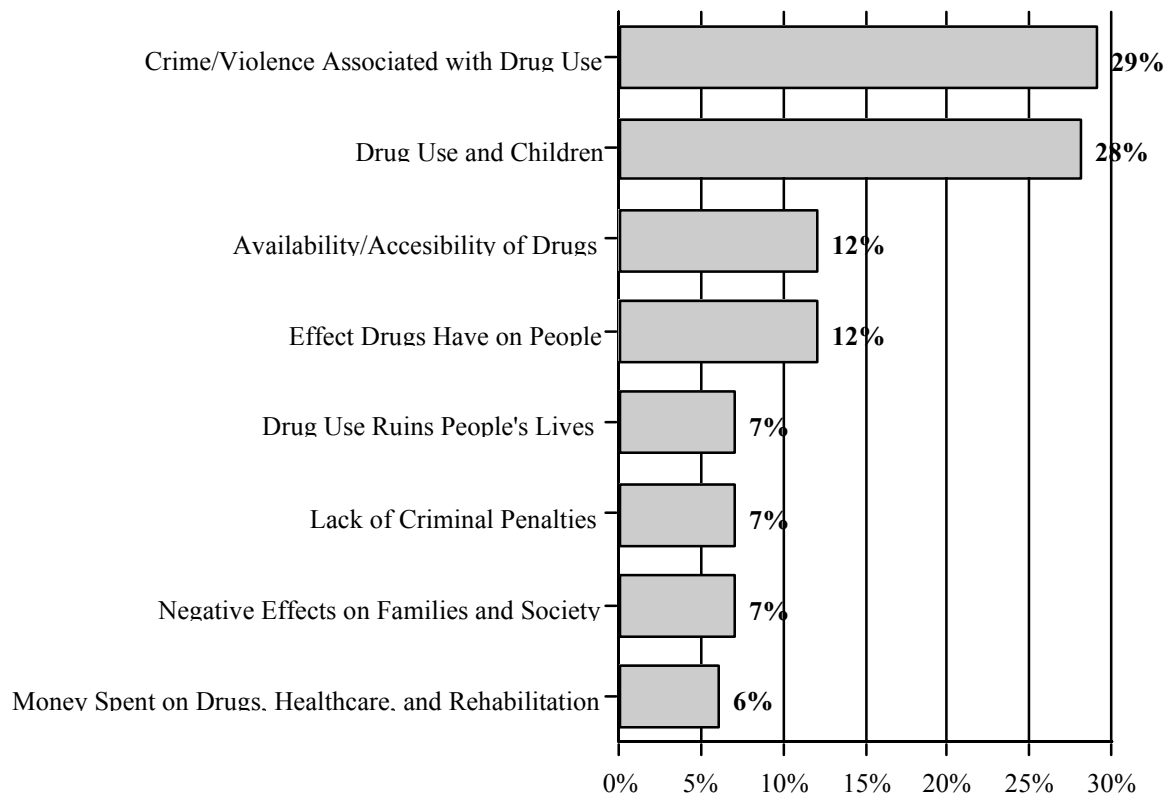


U.S. Residents' Greatest Concern About Drug Use: Crime/Violence and Impact on Children

The Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) recently commissioned a poll of U.S. residents' views of the country's drug problem. Ninety-five percent of the over 2,000 U.S. household residents surveyed stated that reducing drug use was extremely important in terms of where tax dollars should be spent. Among these persons, the two most important concerns about drug use were the crime and violence associated with drug use and the impact of drug use on children. Similar results were found among Maryland residents polled in the spring of 1995 (see CESAR FAX, Volume 4, Issue 35).

U.S. Household Residents' Concerns About Drug Use (Among Those Who Say Reducing Drugs is Extremely Important) (N=1,906)



NOTE: Only those concerns which were cited by more than 5% of those polled are shown. The percentages total more than 100 because of multiple responses.

SOURCE : Adapted by CESAR from data from *Consult with America: A Look at How Americans View the Country's Drug Problem*, prepared by The Gallup Organization for the Office of National Drug Control Policy, March 1996. For more information, contact The Gallup Organization at 301-309-9439.

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