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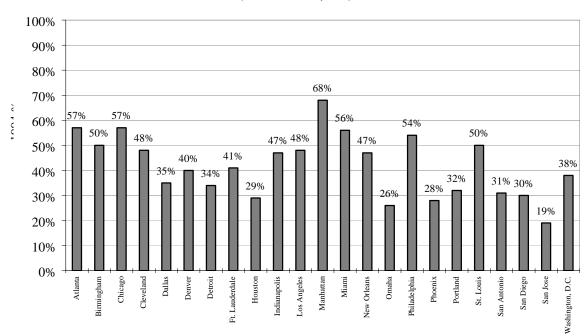
A Weekly FAX from the Center for Substance Abuse Research

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1994 DUF Annual Results Show Cocaine Use Continues Among Male Adult Arrestees

Recently released findings from the Drug Use Forecasting (DUF) program for 1994 show that despite slight decreases, cocaine remains one of the most commonly used drugs among adult male arrestees. The percentage of males testing positive for cocaine in 1994 ranged from 19% (in San Jose) to 68% (in Manhattan). Cocaine-positive rates for females ranged from 18% (in San Diego) to 80% (in Manhattan).—While use of cocaine has declined substantially in the surveyed household and student populations, similar declines have not been found among arrestees.

Percentage of Adult Male Booked Arrestees Testing Positive for Cocaine, by DUF Site, 1994 (Total N=20,015)*



*Only 21 sites tested females in 1994. The female sample size at each site ranged from 68 to 542 (total N=7,839).

SOURCE: Adapted by CESAR from data from "Drug Use Forecasting: 1994 Annual Report on Adult and Juvenile Arrestees", National Institute of Justice. To receive a copy of this report, please contact the National Criminal Justice Reference Service (NCJRS) at 800-851-3420 or 301-251-5500.

ERRATUM

Last week's issue of the CESAR FAX (Issue 3) incorrectly listed the "percentage of Maryland 12th grade users who first tried inhalants before age 15" as 99.8%. The correct percentage is 43.9%. The percentage of Maryland 8th grade users who first tried inhalants before age 15 was 99.8%. We apologize for the error.

^{*}The sample size at each site ranged from 229 to 1,067.