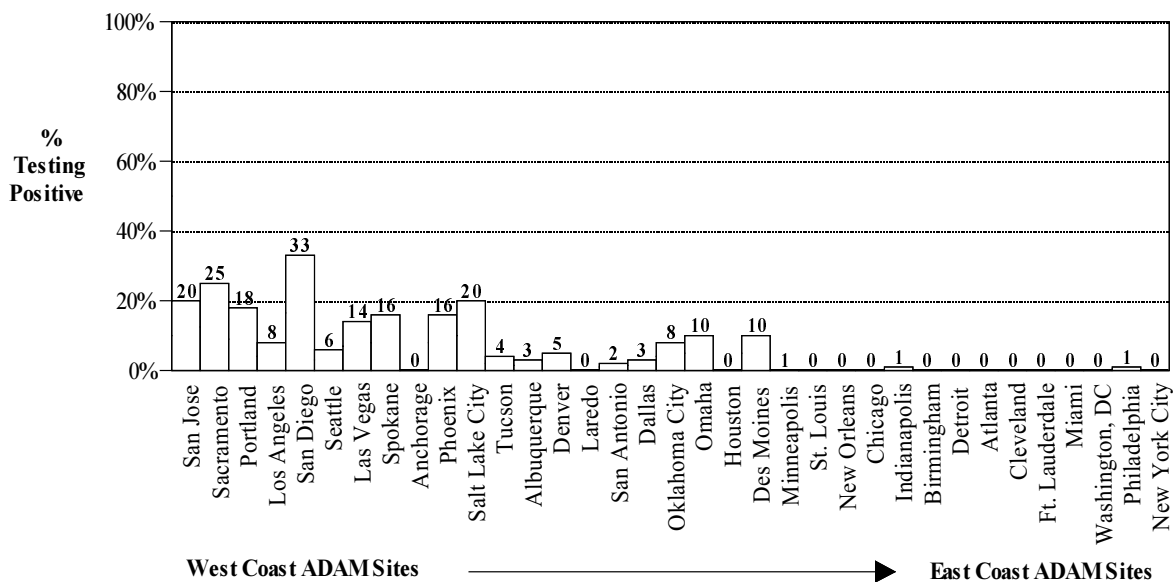


## *Arrestee Methamphetamine Use Shows Clear Regional Variations*

Recent data from the Arrestee Drug Abuse Monitoring (ADAM) program (formerly the DUF program) show that the majority of adult arrestees who test positive by urinalysis for methamphetamine use are in western U.S. ADAM sites. The most active regions appear to be California and areas to the north (Washington, Oregon) and west (Arizona, Nevada, Utah), where methamphetamine positive rates have continued to steadily increase since 1990. In contrast, arrestee meth use in eastern and southern ADAM sites is virtually nonexistent. The authors conclude that “although the rapid growth in methamphetamine use among arrestees has abated, it nevertheless has a broad and strong hold in areas where it appeared a decade ago” (p. 20).

**Percentage of Adult Arrestees Testing Positive for Methamphetamine, by ADAM Site, 1998**



SOURCE: Adapted by CESAR from data from National Institute of Justice (NIJ), “1998 Annual Report on Methamphetamine Use Among Arrestees,” NIJ Research Report, 1999. A copy of the report is available online at [www.ojp.usdoj.gov/nij/pubs.htm](http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/nij/pubs.htm).