

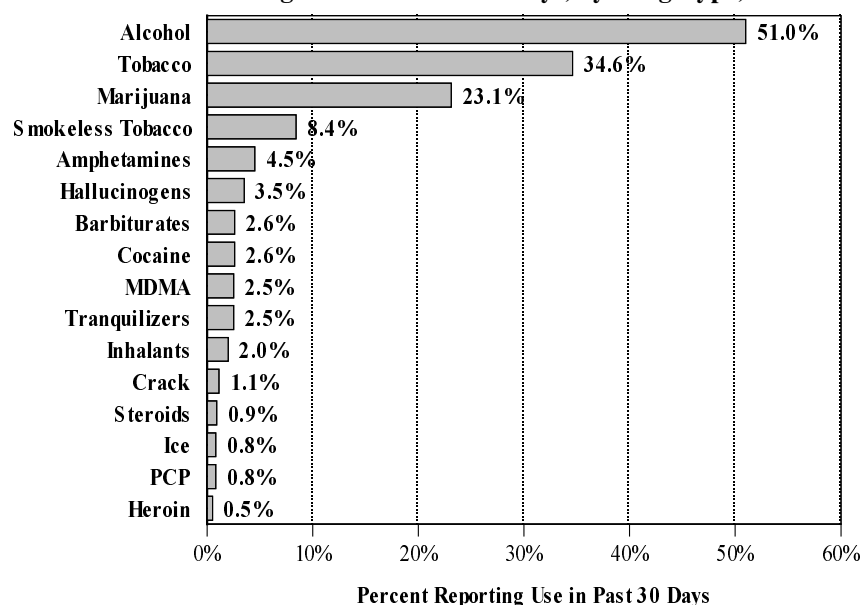
A Weekly FAX from the Center for Substance Abuse Research

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High School Seniors Most Likely to Be Using Alcohol, Tobacco, and Marijuana
(Revised--Replaces Prior Version)

The top three substances used by U.S. high school seniors are alcohol, tobacco, and marijuana, according to data from the 1999 Monitoring the Future survey. One-half (51.0%) of seniors reported using alcohol in the past month and nearly one-fourth (23.1%) reported marijuana use. Cigarette and smokeless tobacco use was reported by 34.6% and 8.4%, respectively. All other drugs were used by less than 5% of high school seniors. These patterns have remained unchanged for several years (see CESAR FAX Volume 5, Issue 22).

Percentage of U.S. High School Seniors Reporting Drug Use in the Past 30 Days, by Drug Type, 1999



SOURCE: Adapted by CESAR from data from University of Michigan, Monitoring the Future Study Press Release, "Drug Trends in 1999 Among American Teens Are Mixed," December 17, 1999. For more information, contact Lloyd Johnston at 734-763-5043 or visit the Monitoring the Future website at www.isr.umich.edu/src/mtf/.

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