

Healthy People 2010 Operational Definition

26-9. Increase the age and proportion of adolescents who remain alcohol and drug free.

High school seniors never using substances:

26-9d. Illicit drugs.

National Data Source	Monitoring the Future Study (MTF), NIH, NIDA.
State Data Source	Not identified.
Healthy People 2000 Objective	Not applicable.
Changes since the 2000 Publication	None.
Measure	Percent.
Baseline (Year)	46 (1998)
Target	56
Target-Setting Method	Better than the best racial/ethnic subgroup. For a discussion of target-setting methods, see Part A, section 4.
Numerator	Number of 12 th grade students who report never using illicit drugs.
Denominator	Number of 12 th grade students.
Population Targeted	Students in public and private schools in the coterminous United States.
Questions Used To Obtain the National Baseline Data	From the 1998 Monitoring the Future Study: <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ <i>On how many occasions (if any) have you used marijuana (weed, pot) or hashish?</i>➤ <i>On how many occasions (if any) have you used LSD (acid)?</i>➤ <i>On how many occasions (if any) have you used psychedelics other than LSD (like mescaline, peyote, psilocybin, PCP)?</i>

- On how many occasions (if any) have you taken amphetamines on your own-that is, without a doctor telling you to take them?
- On how many occasions (if any) have you used cocaine (sometimes called "coke," "crack," "rock")?
- On how many occasions (if any) have you used heroin?
- On how many occasions (if any) have you taken narcotics other than heroin on your own-that is, without a doctor telling you to take them?
- On how many occasions (if any) have you taken tranquilizers on your own-that is, without a doctor telling you to take them?

Expected Periodicity Annual.

Comments Use of any illicit drug includes any use of marijuana, LSD, other hallucinogens, crack, other forms of cocaine, or heroin or any use of other opiates, stimulants, barbiturates, or tranquilizers not under a doctor's orders.

For some measures, data do not meet the criteria for statistical reliability, data quality, or confidentiality and have been suppressed. Information on suppression of data for the major Healthy People 2010 data systems has been published in a *Healthy People Statistical Note*.¹

See Part C for a description of NVSS-M and Appendix A for focus area contact information.

References

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