

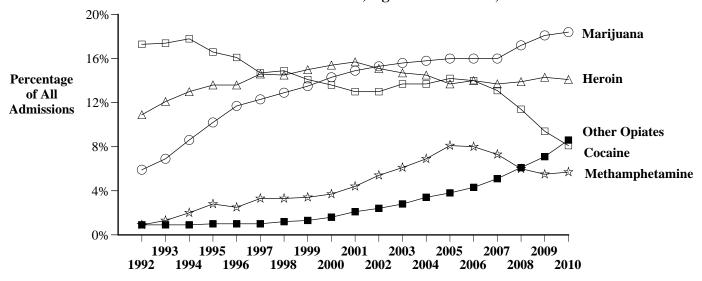
A Weekly FAX from the Center for Substance Abuse Research

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National Treatment Admissions for Opiates Other Than Heroin Continue to Increase; Now Surpass Cocaine and Methamphetamine

The percentage of admissions to state-funded substance abuse treatment facilities citing opiates other than heroin as a primary substance of abuse continue to increase, according to recently released data from the national Treatment Episode Data Set (TEDS). Admissions for the primary abuse of other opiates, such as oxycodone, hydrocodone, and codeine, have increased steadily since 1997, from 1.0% to 8.6% in 2010 (the most recent year data are available). Opiates other than heroin are now more likely than either cocaine (8.1%) or methamphetamine (5.7%) to be cited as a primary substance of abuse by treatment clients. Treatment admissions for the primary abuse of marijuana have also shown recent increases (from 16.0% in 2007 to 18.4% in 2010), while heroin admissions have remained stable.

Primary Substance of Abuse (Other Than Alcohol) at Admission to U.S. State Licensed or Certified Substance Abuse Treatment Facilities, Ages 12 and Older, 1992 to 2010



NOTE: While the focus of this analysis is on treatment admissions for drugs other than alcohol, it should be noted that admissions for the primary abuse of alcohol decreased over the period from 59.3% in 1992 to 40.9% in 2010.

SOURCE: Adapted by CESAR from the Office of Applied Studies, SAMHSA, *Treatment Episode Dataset (TEDS) Highlights—2010*, *National Admissions to Substance Abuse Treatment Services*, 2012 Available online at http://www.samhsa.gov/data/2k12/TEDS2010N/TEDS2010NWeb.pdf.

Want to Establish a Community Services Locator in Your County or State?

Since 2007, CESAR has operated the interactive Maryland Community Services Locator (MDCSL) website (www.mdcsl.org), which allows users to quickly find detailed resource listings and directions to a variety of Maryland community resources, including substance abuse treatment, housing services, job readiness/employment programs and many others. If you are interested in establishing a community services locator in your county or state, CESAR can share lessons learned, provide consultant services, or manage the development of your program. Please send inquiries to mdcsl@umd.edu.