

Mortality Data From the Drug Abuse Warning Network, 2002

ERRATA SHEET

Errors were identified in the 1998 to 2001 data for the Boulder CO metropolitan area after publication of the findings. Therefore, all references to these data have been removed. Corrections in the online version can be found at:

<http://dawninfo.samhsa.gov/>

The corrections are also presented below:

Page 7, the 5th paragraph should read as follows:

Of these 31 metropolitan areas, 29 reported to DAWN in both 2001 and 2002. Twenty had increases in drug abuse deaths over the period, 8 had decreases, and 1 had no change. Some metropolitan areas had substantial changes in the number of drug abuse cases from 2001 to 2002. Areas reporting substantially more cases in 2002 than in 2001 include: New Orleans (a 39% increase, from 212 to 295), Las Vegas (38%, from 273 to 376), Seattle (33%, from 188 to 250), Washington, DC (32%, from 193 to 254), and Buffalo (30%, from 128 to 167). Conversely, Miami reported 32 percent fewer drug abuse deaths in 2002 than in 2001 (from 239 to 162), Salt Lake City reported 30 fewer drug abuse deaths (from 98 to 69), San Francisco reported 23 percent fewer (from 274 to 212), and Newark reported 20 percent fewer (from 304 to 244).

Page 9, the 3rd paragraph should read as follows:

From 2001 to 2002, there were some notable changes across the participating metropolitan areas in heroin/morphine, cocaine, and alcohol-in-combination mentions. However, increases and decreases occurred in roughly equal numbers of areas. Fifteen of the 29 metropolitan areas for which trend data were available had decreases in heroin/morphine mentions, while 12 metropolitan areas had increases. Likewise, 15 areas reported a decrease in cocaine involvement in drug abuse deaths, while the other 14 reported increases. For alcohol, 16 of the 29 areas reported decreases in alcohol-in-combination from 2001 to 2002, and 12 reported increases.

Page 37, Tables E (Drug mentions by category) and F, (Recent trends in major drugs of abuse) should show data only for 2002. Data for 1998 to 2001 have been removed from the web version.

Page 37, a footnote has been added to Tables E (Drug mentions by category) and F, (Recent trends in major drugs of abuse) and should read as follows:

*This table includes data only for 2002. Errors were identified in the data for 1998 to 2001, so these have been removed.