

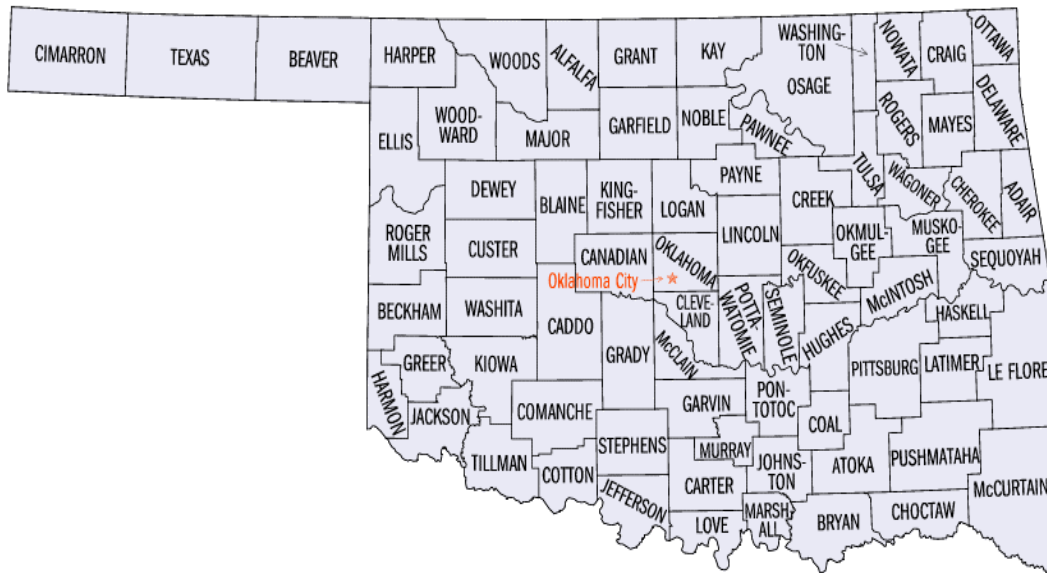
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## Drug Policy Information Clearinghouse

### Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

#### Profile of Drug Indicators

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## **Oklahoma City, Oklahoma**

The following profile contains information on demographics, political figures, funding, programs, crime, drug use, drug trafficking, and enforcement statistics.

### **Demographics<sup>1</sup>**

- Population (2000 Census): 506,132
- Race/Ethnicity (2000 Census): 64.7% white; 15.2% black/African American; 3.2% American Indian/Alaska Native; 3.4% Asian; 0.1% Native Hawaiian/other Pacific Islander; 0.1% some other race; 3.2% two or more races; 10.1% Hispanic or Latino (of any race)
- Oklahoma City is located in Oklahoma County.

### **Politics**

- Mayor: Kirk Humphreys<sup>2</sup>
- City Manager: James D. Couch<sup>3</sup>
- City Council Members (Wards 1-8, respectively): Mick Cornett (vice mayor); Sam Bowman; Lawrence F. McAtee, Jr.; Brent Rinehart; Jerry Foshee; Ann Simank; Willa Johnson; Guy Liebmann<sup>4</sup>
- Chief of Police: M.T. Berry<sup>5</sup>
- Oklahoma County Sheriff: John Whetsel<sup>6</sup>

### **Programs/Initiatives**

- Oklahoma City Crime Stoppers<sup>7</sup>  
The Oklahoma City Crime Stoppers was organized to give citizens a way of anonymously providing information to police and to create an incentive to give information to police by providing a reward for information used. Since its inception in 1979, the Oklahoma City Crime Stoppers program has resulted in the imprisonment of 3,800 criminals and over \$7 million in recovered drugs.
- Life or Meth – Oklahoma City Meth Task Force<sup>8</sup>  
The Oklahoma City Police Meth Team launched an ad campaign targeting the illegal use and production of methamphetamine.
- Oklahoma County Sheriff's Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) Program<sup>9</sup>  
The DARE program in Oklahoma County was implemented in 1997. In 1998, programs were conducted for more than 12,000 young adults. In 1998, a new 1999 Volkswagen Beetle was purchased from drug seizure funds to enhance efforts to reach Oklahoma County children. Printed on the vehicle is the slogan "Bugs-N-Hugs Not Drugs."

### **Federal Funding**

- Drug-Free Communities Support Program<sup>10</sup>  
Oklahoma City has not yet received funding through the Drug-Free Communities Support Program.
- Executive Office for Weed & Seed<sup>11</sup>  
The Oklahoma City Weed and Seed program began in 1993.

- FY 2001 SAMHSA Discretionary Funds received in Oklahoma City:<sup>12</sup>
  - Center for Mental Health Services:
    - \$49,000 to Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services; project period: 9/30/98-8/31/02
    - \$60,000 to Oklahoma Mental Health Consumer Council; project period: 9/30/01-9/29/04
    - \$100,000 to Oklahoma State Department of Health; project period: 9/30/01-9/29/03
    - \$149,527 to Eagle Ridge Institute; project period: 9/30/01-9/29/03
  - Center for Substance Abuse Prevention:
    - \$2,918,649 to Office of the Governor; project period: 9/30/00-9/29/03
    - \$99,467 to Eagle Ridge Institute; project period: 9/30/01-9/29/02
    - \$96,500 to Eagle Ridge Institute; project period: 9/30/00-9/29/02
  - Center for Substance Abuse Treatment:
    - \$300,000 to Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services; project period: 9/30/01-9/29/04
- There were no Oklahoma City recipients of the FY 2002 Office of Justice Program Drug Court Grant.<sup>13</sup>
- FY 2002 Office of Justice Programs and Office of Community Oriented Policing Services grant amounts received in Oklahoma City:<sup>14</sup>
  - \$27,572,956 in discretionary funds
  - \$24,997,280 in formula funds
- There were no Oklahoma City recipients of the FY 2002 Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Methamphetamine Grant.<sup>15</sup>
- There were no Oklahoma City recipients of the FY 2001 Housing and Urban Development Drug Elimination Grant.<sup>16</sup>

### **Crime and Drug-Related Crime**

- During 2000, the crime index total was 47,845 in Oklahoma City.<sup>17</sup> This number decreased in 2001 to 45,875.<sup>18</sup> Preliminary data for 2002 show that there were 22,979 crime index offenses known to law enforcement from January to June.<sup>19</sup>

Index Offenses Known to Law Enforcement, Oklahoma City, 2000-June 2002

<b>Offense Type</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>Jan.-June 2002</b>
Murder/non- negl. manslaughter	38	45	18
Forcible rape	388	405	233
Robbery	990	1,090	504
Aggravated assault	2,535	2,643	1,207
Burglary	7,280	8,405	4,121
Larceny-theft	33,012	29,771	15,224
Motor vehicle theft	3,602	3,516	1,672
Arson	216	222	101
Crime index total	47,845	45,875	22,979

- There were 601 juvenile drug-related arrests and 4,625 adult drug-related arrests in Oklahoma County during 2001.<sup>20</sup>

- During 2001, 68.4% of adult male arrestees and 63.6% of adult female arrestees in Oklahoma City tested positive for drugs at the time of arrest.<sup>21</sup>

Percent of Adult Arrestees Testing Positive for Drugs, Oklahoma City, 2001

	Male	Female
Cocaine	21.6%	26.8%
Opiates	5.0	3.6
Marijuana	50.7	41.0
Methamphetamine	10.9	15.8
PCP	2.5	2.3
Any Drug	68.4	63.6
Multiple Drugs	19.7	23.1

- During 2001 in Oklahoma City, 15.4% of female arrestees reported using marijuana within the past 7 days. Among those reporting marijuana use in the past year, the average number of days used in the past month was 9.3 days.<sup>22</sup>

Adult Female Arrestee Past Drug Use, Oklahoma City, 2001

Use	Crack Cocaine	Powder Cocaine	Marijuana	Meth	Opiates
Past 7 days	15.6%	5.9%	15.4%	12.6%	1.6%
Past 30 days	18.7%	8.0%	46.2%	14.7%	1.6%
Past year	21.9%	11.2%	51.9%	19.9%	2.0%
Avg # of days used in month	8.4	4.7	9.3	8.6	6.5

- During 2001 in Oklahoma City, 47.5% of male arrestees reported using marijuana within the past 7 days. Among those reporting marijuana use in the past year, the average number of days used in the past month was 10.8 days.<sup>23</sup>

Adult Male Arrestee Past Drug Use, Oklahoma City, 2001

Use	Crack Cocaine	Powder Cocaine	Marijuana	Meth	Opiates
Past 7 days	9.8%	4.9%	47.5%	11.3%	1.2%
Past 30 days	12.4%	6.9%	54.2%	13.5%	1.4%
Past year	13.7%	11.7%	61.2%	19.3%	2.1%
Avg # of days used in month	6.5	4.5	10.8	8.5	10.8

- In 2001, 53% of adult male arrestees and 46% of adult female arrestees in Oklahoma City reported purchasing marijuana within the thirty days prior to being interviewed.<sup>24</sup>

## Drug Acquisition in Past Thirty Days, Oklahoma City, 2001

Drug Type	Percentage of Male Arrestees	Percentage of Female Arrestees
Crack Cocaine	13.5%	18.9%
Powder Cocaine	8.5	8.8
Marijuana	53.0	46.0
Opiates	1.7	1.5
Methamphetamine	14.0	4.9

- Gangs operating in the Oklahoma City area are often involved in violent acts such as drug-related shootings, drive-by shootings, and robberies.<sup>25</sup>

### Drugs

- Cocaine  
During the first quarter of 2002, crack cocaine sold for \$5-\$50 per rock, \$25 per vial, and \$750 per ounce. Powder cocaine sold for \$90 per gram, \$550-\$900 per ounce, and \$18,000-\$20,000 per kilogram.<sup>26</sup>
- Marijuana  
Commercial grade marijuana sold for \$2-\$5 per cigarette, \$10 per gram, \$75-\$90 per ounce, and \$500-\$600 per pound during the first quarter of 2002. Locally grown marijuana is in high demand because of its high quality and because residents prefer to deal with known suppliers.<sup>27</sup>
- Heroin  
Mexican black tar heroin sold for \$25 per bag, \$200 per bundle (10 bags), \$150-\$250 per gram, \$4,500 per ounce, and \$30,000 per kilogram during the first quarter of 2002.<sup>28</sup>
- Methamphetamine  
Methamphetamine in Oklahoma City sold for \$65-\$90 per gram, \$350-\$1,600 per ounce, and \$12,000-\$20,000 per kilogram during the first quarter of 2002. Iodine crystals, which are diverted for use in methamphetamine production, sold for \$130-\$160 per pound.<sup>29</sup>
- Club Drugs  
MDMA tablets sell for \$10-\$40. MDMA has become increasingly popular among teenagers and young adults in the Oklahoma City area. During the first quarter of 2002, Rohypnol tablets sold for \$3-\$5 per dose; GHB sold for \$10-\$20 per dose; LSD sold for \$5-\$7 per dose; and PCP sold for \$10-\$15 per dose (retail quantity).<sup>30</sup>
- Diverted Pharmaceuticals  
Pharmacies in Oklahoma City have reported thefts of Oxycontin.<sup>31</sup>

### Enforcement

- As of October 2001, there were 1,260 total law enforcement personnel in Oklahoma City (1,010 officers and 250 civilians).<sup>32</sup>

### Trafficking and Seizures

- Crack distribution in Oklahoma City is associated with violent Los Angeles based street gangs such as the Bloods and Crips.<sup>33</sup>

- The cocaine available in Oklahoma City is brought to the area by local suppliers who travel to large cities in Texas and return to the Oklahoma City area to distribute the product.<sup>34</sup>
- Oklahoma City is a transshipment point for marijuana because of its central location, well-developed transportation infrastructure, and proximity to the U.S. border with Mexico.<sup>35</sup>
- Powder cocaine is distributed on the retail level by Mexican criminal groups and Hispanic street gangs (South Side Locos and Juaritos). Crack cocaine is primarily distributed by African American street gangs (Bloods and Crips) and Hispanic street gangs.<sup>36</sup>
- Street gangs such as the Bloods, Crips, South Side Locos, and Juaritos sell retail levels of marijuana. Mexican and African American criminal groups and outlaw motorcycle gangs (OMGs) control retail distribution of Mexican-produced marijuana.<sup>37</sup>
- Hispanic and African American street gangs in Oklahoma City distribute retail level heroin.<sup>38</sup>
- During the first six months of 2002, 131 methamphetamine labs were seized in Oklahoma City.<sup>39</sup>
- The number of methamphetamine labs processed by the Oklahoma City Meth Task Force has increased from 10 in 1997 to 163 from January to November 1, 2001.<sup>40</sup>

Methamphetamine Labs Processed, Oklahoma City Meth Task Force, 1997-Nov. 1, 2001

1997	1998	1999	2000	Jan-Nov 1, 2001
10	66	112	153	163

- In February 2000, law enforcement in Oklahoma City seized 154 bottles of ketamine with an estimated street value of \$30,000.<sup>41</sup>

### **Courts**

- Drug Courts<sup>42</sup>  
As of January 2003, there was one drug court being planned in Oklahoma City. There were no drug courts operating in Oklahoma City.

### **Treatment**

- As of July 2002, there were 1,289 clients admitted for alcohol abuse; 2,979 clients admitted for substance related problems; and 6,022 clients admitted for any alcohol/drug problem in Oklahoma City.<sup>43</sup>
- During 2001, 7.0% of adult male arrestees and 9.3% of adult female arrestees in Oklahoma City had received drug treatment within the past year.<sup>44</sup>

### **Consequences of Use**

- During 2001, there were 182 drug-related deaths in the Oklahoma City metropolitan area. Methamphetamine was mentioned in 27 of the deaths.<sup>45</sup>

## Number of Drug Abuse Deaths and Drug Mentions, Oklahoma City, 1997-2001

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Alcohol-in-combination	40	56	62	42	48
Cocaine	45	56	52	28	21
Heroin/morphine	16	26	25	19	21
Marijuana	--	--	--	--	--
Amphetamine	44	44	37	31	12
Methamphetamine	61	56	53	56	27
Club drugs	--	--	--	1	3
Hallucinogens	1	1	--	1	--
Inhalants	6	11	5	11	7
Narcotic analgesics	34	53	97	78	100
Other analgesics	13	26	23	15	26
Benzodiazepines	20	23	35	27	45
Antidepressants	38	57	73	23	79
All other substances	17	41	66	44	93
Total drug deaths	170	211	226	196	182
Total drug mentions	335	450	528	376	482

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