

Table 4.21A Numbers (in Thousands) of Males Who First Used Marijuana in the United States, Their Mean Age at First Use, and Rates of First Use (Per 1,000 Person-Years of Exposure): 1965-2002, Based on 2002 and 2003 NSDUHs

YEAR	NUMBER OF INITIATES (1,000s)			MEAN AGE	AGE-SPECIFIC RATES ¹	
	All Ages	Under 18	18 or Older		12-17	18-25
1965	536	205	331	18.7	20.0	34.4
1966	529	215	313	18.8	19.4	31.6
1967	863	276	587	19.0	25.1	55.6
1968	1,201	460	741	18.7	42.3	71.3
1969	1,726	623	1,103	19.1	59.1	109.1
1970	1,819	887	932	18.2	85.0	99.8
1971	1,717	797	920	18.3	74.5	98.6
1972	1,734	938	796	18.1	88.9	79.5
1973	1,978	1,017	961	18.6	99.2	107.9
1974	1,787	1,124	664	18.1	111.6	67.3
1975	1,664	988	676	18.1	100.1	72.2
1976	1,521	919	602	18.2	98.8	72.2
1977	1,586	1,018	568	17.5	109.4	75.4
1978	1,474	923	551	17.6	102.7	71.7
1979	1,587	946	641	19.2	104.3	67.4
1980	1,204	755	448	17.9	84.6	57.9
1981	1,235	725	510	18.1	82.9	65.3
1982	1,291	783	508	18.7	93.1	61.0
1983	1,196	816	380	17.3	93.2	49.8
1984	1,107	717	390	17.6	85.7	50.9
1985	1,119	783	336	17.5	93.8	45.6
1986	1,055	729	325	16.9	90.1	44.8
1987	938	607	331	17.5	74.7	47.7
1988	835	562	274	17.8	69.0	37.1
1989	889	580	309	17.5	71.1	41.7
1990	760	418	341	18.4	48.3	43.9
1991	904	621	283	16.4	71.9	40.3
1992	1,130	658	472	17.3	75.2	67.5
1993	1,155	731	424	17.3	80.1	54.2
1994	1,279	850	430	17.0	92.2	58.3
1995	1,390	912	479	16.7	96.4	66.3
1996	1,260	860	400	16.6	90.3	55.4
1997	1,341	920	421	16.6	95.3	57.4
1998	1,353	931	422	16.6	94.9	58.1
1999	1,392	909	484	17.3	91.5	63.7
2000	1,499	1,019	480	17.0	102.3	63.9
2001	1,391	927	464	17.5	92.5	58.5
2002²	1,217	868	349	16.3	84.4	50.3

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

-- Not available.

NOTE: Comparisons between years, particularly between recent estimates and those from 10 or more years prior, should be made with caution due to potential reporting and other biases.

¹ The numerator of each rate is the number of males in the age group who first used the drug in the year, while the denominator is the person-time exposure of males in the age group measured in thousands of years.

² Estimated using 2003 data only.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 4.22A Numbers (in Thousands) of Males Who First Used Cocaine in the United States, Their Mean Age at First Use, and Rates of First Use (Per 1,000 Person-Years of Exposure): 1965-2002, Based on 2002 and 2003 NSDUHs

YEAR	NUMBER OF INITIATES (1,000s)			MEAN AGE	AGE-SPECIFIC RATES ¹	
	All Ages	Under 18	18 or Older		12-17	18-25
1965	62	*	49	*	*	*
1966	*	*	*	*	*	*
1967	*	*	*	*	*	*
1968	157	*	111	20.1	*	9.8
1969	157	34	123	22.1	2.7	8.0
1970	177	52	125	18.8	4.5	10.0
1971	376	76	300	20.7	6.6	20.0
1972	308	71	238	19.4	5.6	17.4
1973	405	108	296	19.9	9.3	21.4
1974	531	113	418	21.3	9.7	23.0
1975	523	102	421	21.2	8.8	25.7
1976	582	155	427	21.2	13.6	25.3
1977	710	148	562	21.6	13.1	32.5
1978	772	146	625	21.4	13.4	37.0
1979	894	178	716	21.2	16.7	46.2
1980	907	172	734	22.4	16.5	42.9
1981	880	153	727	21.6	14.9	46.6
1982	849	150	700	22.6	14.7	38.8
1983	796	123	673	22.0	12.4	43.7
1984	754	190	564	21.1	19.4	36.9
1985	709	142	566	22.3	14.6	34.5
1986	777	133	643	23.6	13.9	37.0
1987	671	124	547	23.0	13.0	31.8
1988	684	102	582	23.4	10.9	36.9
1989	536	81	455	23.6	8.6	27.2
1990	560	102	458	24.0	11.2	24.7
1991	416	58	358	23.3	6.0	21.4
1992	458	91	366	24.8	9.4	18.3
1993	385	79	306	22.7	8.0	18.6
1994	395	89	306	22.7	8.5	17.7
1995	454	115	339	21.8	10.6	21.4
1996	541	135	406	22.7	12.2	26.5
1997	551	125	426	21.4	11.1	29.4
1998	555	166	389	20.5	14.1	27.1
1999	555	142	413	20.7	11.9	28.6
2000	636	182	454	21.4	14.8	28.4
2001	668	185	484	20.7	15.0	30.0
2002 ²	583	164	419	20.3	13.1	28.1

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

-- Not available.

NOTE: Comparisons between years, particularly between recent estimates and those from 10 or more years prior, should be made with caution due to potential reporting and other biases.

¹ The numerator of each rate is the number of males in the age group who first used the drug in the year, while the denominator is the person-time exposure of males in the age group measured in thousands of years.

² Estimated using 2003 data only.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 4.23A Numbers (in Thousands) of Males Who First Used Crack in the United States, Their Mean Age at First Use, and Rates of First Use (Per 1,000 Person-Years of Exposure): 1965-2002, Based on 2002 and 2003 NSDUHs

YEAR	NUMBER OF INITIATES (1,000s)			MEAN AGE	AGE-SPECIFIC RATES ¹	
	All Ages	Under 18	18 or Older		12-17	18-25
1965	*	*	*	*	*	*
1966	*	*	*	*	*	*
1967	*	*	*	*	*	*
1968	*	*	*	*	*	*
1969	*	*	*	*	*	*
1970	*	*	*	*	*	*
1971	*	*	*	*	*	*
1972	*	*	*	*	*	*
1973	*	*	*	*	*	*
1974	*	*	*	*	*	*
1975	*	*	*	*	*	*
1976	*	*	*	*	*	*
1977	*	*	*	*	*	*
1978	65	*	52	20.3	*	3.3
1979	52	*	43	23.6	*	1.9
1980	113	*	83	23.1	*	2.8
1981	98	*	83	23.2	*	3.4
1982	132	*	124	26.1	*	4.1
1983	92	*	78	25.1	*	2.5
1984	145	23	122	23.3	2.3	4.5
1985	282	34	249	25.3	3.4	10.1
1986	164	21	142	26.2	2.2	5.2
1987	199	*	180	24.3	*	7.7
1988	237	21	217	25.9	2.2	7.2
1989	235	*	229	25.1	*	9.3
1990	276	19	257	27.7	2.1	7.9
1991	271	28	242	26.9	3.0	7.7
1992	285	19	267	28.9	1.9	6.4
1993	262	24	238	29.3	2.3	7.4
1994	262	28	234	28.3	2.7	5.2
1995	288	26	261	28.2	2.5	8.2
1996	233	34	198	26.8	2.9	6.5
1997	257	31	226	26.9	2.7	7.9
1998	272	54	218	24.5	4.5	9.3
1999	238	40	198	25.4	3.2	8.9
2000	259	53	206	26.9	4.3	6.8
2001	230	52	178	23.4	4.1	7.2
2002 ²	209	35	174	23.6	2.7	7.7

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

-- Not available.

NOTE: Comparisons between years, particularly between recent estimates and those from 10 or more years prior, should be made with caution due to potential reporting and other biases.

¹ The numerator of each rate is the number of males in the age group who first used the drug in the year, while the denominator is the person-time exposure of males in the age group measured in thousands of years.

² Estimated using 2003 data only.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 4.24A Numbers (in Thousands) of Males Who First Used Heroin in the United States, Their Mean Age at First Use, and Rates of First Use (Per 1,000 Person-Years of Exposure): 1965-2002, Based on 2002 and 2003 NSDUHs

YEAR	NUMBER OF INITIATES (1,000s)			MEAN AGE	AGE-SPECIFIC RATES ¹	
	All Ages	Under 18	18 or Older		12-17	18-25
1965	*	*	*	*	*	*
1966	*	*	*	*	*	*
1967	*	*	*	*	*	*
1968	74	*	*	*	*	*
1969	42	*	36	19.9	*	2.8
1970	*	*	*	*	*	*
1971	92	13	79	19.7	1.1	6.1
1972	79	*	72	20.8	*	4.8
1973	165	*	150	21.3	*	9.2
1974	127	*	115	20.6	*	7.4
1975	53	*	49	23.1	*	2.7
1976	58	*	58	21.6	*	3.2
1977	80	*	77	22.2	*	4.8
1978	61	*	57	20.5	*	3.7
1979	60	15	45	20.4	1.4	2.7
1980	54	*	37	20.6	*	2.3
1981	60	*	57	20.8	*	3.2
1982	43	*	39	22.3	*	2.1
1983	58	*	56	23.5	*	2.5
1984	60	*	48	22.7	*	1.9
1985	26	*	24	24.2	*	0.7
1986	69	*	53	22.9	*	2.6
1987	57	*	53	25.4	*	2.0
1988	53	*	52	24.4	*	2.4
1989	62	*	57	25.5	*	2.2
1990	36	*	31	27.3	*	*
1991	52	*	51	24.0	*	2.0
1992	72	*	66	28.5	*	1.9
1993	37	5	32	23.3	0.5	1.2
1994	47	7	39	25.3	0.7	*
1995	72	24	48	24.1	2.3	*
1996	97	12	85	24.3	1.1	3.8
1997	86	19	67	22.8	1.7	3.3
1998	107	16	91	24.5	1.3	3.4
1999	87	17	70	24.1	1.4	3.3
2000	80	17	63	22.1	1.3	3.4
2001	89	15	74	24.5	1.2	3.6
2002 ²	79	13	66	20.9	1.0	3.4

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

-- Not available.

NOTE: Comparisons between years, particularly between recent estimates and those from 10 or more years prior, should be made with caution due to potential reporting and other biases.

¹ The numerator of each rate is the number of males in the age group who first used the drug in the year, while the denominator is the person-time exposure of males in the age group measured in thousands of years.

² Estimated using 2003 data only.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 4.25A Numbers (in Thousands) of Males Who First Used Hallucinogens in the United States, Their Mean Age at First Use, and Rates of First Use (Per 1,000 Person-Years of Exposure): 1965-2002, Based on 2002 and 2003 NSDUHs

YEAR	NUMBER OF INITIATES (1,000s)			MEAN AGE	AGE-SPECIFIC RATES ¹	
	All Ages	Under 18	18 or Older		12-17	18-25
1965	39	*	39	*	*	4.0
1966	77	37	39	17.0	3.6	3.7
1967	226	93	133	18.7	8.3	10.8
1968	222	104	118	19.2	8.5	7.8
1969	508	181	328	18.9	15.9	26.0
1970	685	255	430	18.9	22.6	34.5
1971	562	259	304	18.0	22.9	24.7
1972	637	359	278	17.2	31.3	22.5
1973	536	240	296	18.2	21.5	24.3
1974	600	273	326	18.6	24.3	24.7
1975	600	289	311	17.8	25.3	25.2
1976	584	278	306	18.4	25.0	24.1
1977	560	247	313	18.6	22.6	25.4
1978	517	239	278	17.9	21.9	22.8
1979	636	293	343	18.6	27.8	23.9
1980	618	268	350	18.8	26.2	25.9
1981	519	201	318	19.2	20.1	22.9
1982	584	193	392	19.3	19.3	29.4
1983	469	205	264	18.6	20.5	20.0
1984	454	216	237	18.8	21.7	17.7
1985	385	135	250	18.8	13.5	19.1
1986	392	176	216	19.1	18.5	15.3
1987	443	196	247	19.6	20.6	18.7
1988	569	210	359	19.5	22.7	27.3
1989	460	167	292	19.2	18.2	22.5
1990	432	167	265	19.3	18.1	19.2
1991	455	195	260	19.1	21.2	20.0
1992	388	185	203	18.4	19.3	16.2
1993	491	232	259	18.9	23.6	19.3
1994	551	280	271	17.9	28.2	23.3
1995	563	265	298	18.3	25.1	25.1
1996	632	282	350	19.8	26.2	28.2
1997	631	266	365	19.3	23.7	29.7
1998	683	319	364	18.7	27.5	29.3
1999	833	351	483	18.9	30.0	40.2
2000	830	408	422	18.4	34.4	34.3
2001	819	359	460	19.2	29.5	34.7
2002²	555	267	289	18.0	21.2	24.1

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

-- Not available.

NOTE: Comparisons between years, particularly between recent estimates and those from 10 or more years prior, should be made with caution due to potential reporting and other biases.

¹ The numerator of each rate is the number of males in the age group who first used the drug in the year, while the denominator is the person-time exposure of males in the age group measured in thousands of years.

² Estimated using 2003 data only.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 4.26A Numbers (in Thousands) of Males Who First Used LSD in the United States, Their Mean Age at First Use, and Rates of First Use (Per 1,000 Person-Years of Exposure): 1965-2002, Based on 2002 and 2003 NSDUHs

YEAR	NUMBER OF INITIATES (1,000s)			MEAN AGE	AGE-SPECIFIC RATES ¹	
	All Ages	Under 18	18 or Older		12-17	18-25
1965	33	*	28	*	*	2.9
1966	39	*	20	16.9	*	*
1967	115	46	70	19.2	*	5.3
1968	226	129	98	18.7	11.9	6.1
1969	387	128	260	19.6	11.0	19.8
1970	567	240	327	18.4	21.2	26.5
1971	467	205	262	18.4	17.9	18.9
1972	566	273	293	17.8	23.9	23.5
1973	548	265	282	18.1	23.3	22.2
1974	473	214	258	18.6	18.8	19.3
1975	405	176	229	18.3	15.5	17.5
1976	391	166	225	18.0	14.8	18.1
1977	456	204	252	18.4	18.3	19.7
1978	359	157	202	17.9	14.5	16.0
1979	531	233	297	18.8	21.6	19.5
1980	564	266	298	18.5	25.7	21.5
1981	397	152	245	19.0	15.1	17.4
1982	430	169	261	18.5	16.8	18.7
1983	357	159	198	18.5	16.0	14.8
1984	375	144	231	20.1	14.7	14.7
1985	325	139	186	19.1	14.2	12.9
1986	279	115	164	19.1	11.8	11.5
1987	302	165	137	18.5	17.3	9.4
1988	471	204	267	18.5	21.8	20.8
1989	389	135	254	19.8	14.8	17.5
1990	355	161	195	19.3	17.6	14.3
1991	380	171	210	18.9	18.6	15.9
1992	370	165	205	18.7	17.5	15.5
1993	326	151	175	18.7	15.7	13.1
1994	444	243	201	17.7	24.4	16.3
1995	437	217	219	17.7	20.9	19.1
1996	483	227	256	18.6	21.0	21.1
1997	462	210	252	18.5	18.5	20.2
1998	442	249	193	17.8	21.6	16.6
1999	490	248	242	18.2	20.8	18.5
2000	506	253	254	18.0	21.1	20.6
2001	353	184	170	17.7	14.9	13.4
2002²	160	99	60	17.2	7.9	4.9

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

-- Not available.

NOTE: Comparisons between years, particularly between recent estimates and those from 10 or more years prior, should be made with caution due to potential reporting and other biases.

¹ The numerator of each rate is the number of males in the age group who first used the drug in the year, while the denominator is the person-time exposure of males in the age group measured in thousands of years.

² Estimated using 2003 data only.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 4.27A Numbers (in Thousands) of Males Who First Used PCP in the United States, Their Mean Age at First Use, and Rates of First Use (Per 1,000 Person-Years of Exposure): 1965-2002, Based on 2002 and 2003 NSDUHs

YEAR	NUMBER OF INITIATES (1,000s)			MEAN AGE	AGE-SPECIFIC RATES ¹	
	All Ages	Under 18	18 or Older		12-17	18-25
1965	*	*	*	*	*	*
1966	*	*	*	*	*	*
1967	*	*	*	*	*	*
1968	*	*	*	*	*	*
1969	25	20	*	*	1.8	*
1970	133	46	86	18.8	4.1	6.1
1971	172	93	79	17.9	8.0	6.2
1972	224	106	117	17.5	9.0	8.8
1973	173	61	111	19.0	5.3	8.3
1974	323	149	174	18.1	12.4	11.6
1975	266	144	121	18.3	12.5	8.1
1976	306	125	181	19.2	11.0	11.7
1977	300	106	194	19.6	9.4	12.6
1978	243	60	183	21.0	5.4	10.1
1979	215	76	139	19.0	7.0	9.3
1980	231	81	150	20.7	7.6	8.1
1981	149	48	101	19.8	4.6	6.2
1982	171	36	135	20.9	3.5	8.1
1983	113	41	72	18.9	4.0	4.7
1984	87	20	66	19.5	2.0	4.3
1985	93	38	55	19.0	3.8	3.2
1986	80	*	74	21.8	*	4.3
1987	76	*	42	19.8	*	2.3
1988	79	23	56	21.0	2.4	2.9
1989	89	21	67	22.2	2.2	3.1
1990	43	24	19	21.8	2.6	*
1991	67	27	40	21.5	2.9	1.9
1992	54	10	45	19.3	1.0	3.2
1993	45	28	17	18.5	2.9	*
1994	74	48	26	17.0	4.7	1.9
1995	103	43	60	19.1	4.0	4.2
1996	83	47	37	17.2	4.1	2.8
1997	72	31	41	18.3	2.6	3.1
1998	81	52	29	17.3	4.4	1.9
1999	97	51	46	18.0	4.1	3.4
2000	103	66	37	16.9	5.4	2.6
2001	111	58	53	18.4	4.6	3.0
2002 ²	88	49	39	17.3	3.8	2.6

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

-- Not available.

NOTE: Comparisons between years, particularly between recent estimates and those from 10 or more years prior, should be made with caution due to potential reporting and other biases.

¹ The numerator of each rate is the number of males in the age group who first used the drug in the year, while the denominator is the person-time exposure of males in the age group measured in thousands of years.

² Estimated using 2003 data only.

Table 4.28A Numbers (in Thousands) of Males Who First Used Ecstasy in the United States, Their Mean Age at First Use, and Rates of First Use (Per 1,000 Person-Years of Exposure): 1965-2002, Based on 2002 and 2003 NSDUHs

YEAR	NUMBER OF INITIATES (1,000s)			MEAN AGE	AGE-SPECIFIC RATES ¹	
	All Ages	Under 18	18 or Older		12-17	18-25
1965	*	*	*	*	*	*
1966	*	*	*	*	*	*
1967	*	*	*	*	*	*
1968	*	*	*	*	*	*
1969	*	*	*	*	*	*
1970	*	*	*	*	*	*
1971	*	*	*	*	*	*
1972	*	*	*	*	*	*
1973	*	*	*	*	*	*
1974	*	*	*	*	*	*
1975	*	*	*	*	*	*
1976	35	*	26	*	*	*
1977	*	*	*	*	*	*
1978	*	*	*	*	*	*
1979	29	*	29	*	*	*
1980	23	*	*	*	*	*
1981	*	*	*	*	*	*
1982	20	*	*	*	*	*
1983	48	*	*	*	*	*
1984	62	*	62	24.6	*	2.5
1985	71	*	64	23.1	*	2.6
1986	74	*	56	22.4	*	2.9
1987	98	*	89	22.1	*	5.7
1988	135	*	113	25.0	*	4.8
1989	141	27	114	23.3	2.9	5.2
1990	131	*	128	25.7	*	4.5
1991	72	*	64	23.4	*	2.9
1992	99	*	87	22.6	*	4.7
1993	123	17	106	23.1	1.6	5.7
1994	154	32	122	23.3	3.1	6.7
1995	206	31	175	21.1	2.8	11.3
1996	234	42	192	26.4	3.6	9.4
1997	353	60	292	23.3	5.3	15.2
1998	486	88	399	21.3	7.3	23.9
1999	780	156	624	21.5	12.9	38.8
2000	949	238	711	21.7	19.5	42.1
2001	968	238	731	22.9	19.3	38.4
2002 ²	536	151	386	21.5	11.9	22.6

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

-- Not available.

NOTE: Comparisons between years, particularly between recent estimates and those from 10 or more years prior, should be made with caution due to potential reporting and other biases.

¹ The numerator of each rate is the number of males in the age group who first used the drug in the year, while the denominator is the person-time exposure of males in the age group measured in thousands of years.

² Estimated using 2003 data only.

Table 4.29A Numbers (in Thousands) of Males Who First Used Inhalants in the United States, Their Mean Age at First Use, and Rates of First Use (Per 1,000 Person-Years of Exposure): 1965-2002, Based on 2002 and 2003 NSDUHs

YEAR	NUMBER OF INITIATES (1,000s)			MEAN AGE	AGE-SPECIFIC RATES ¹	
	All Ages	Under 18	18 or Older		12-17	18-25
1965	63	63	*	13.3	6.0	*
1966	170	133	37	15.2	10.9	*
1967	128	75	52	17.3	5.2	3.6
1968	200	130	69	17.8	11.0	*
1969	211	137	73	16.7	12.5	5.8
1970	201	135	66	16.0	9.3	5.0
1971	236	176	60	15.4	14.2	4.8
1972	229	157	72	16.8	13.4	4.4
1973	270	158	112	17.4	13.3	7.1
1974	361	186	176	18.3	13.8	10.4
1975	335	220	115	17.2	17.7	7.7
1976	429	211	218	18.3	19.1	13.6
1977	523	214	310	18.9	17.9	17.5
1978	441	253	187	17.8	22.5	12.4
1979	621	315	306	18.4	30.0	17.9
1980	531	280	250	19.3	27.1	13.9
1981	400	198	203	18.2	18.7	13.4
1982	333	188	145	17.7	17.9	9.0
1983	383	211	172	18.8	20.9	9.1
1984	361	220	142	17.7	21.8	8.9
1985	310	148	163	19.3	14.8	9.5
1986	313	177	137	18.5	18.3	8.6
1987	384	235	149	17.5	22.7	9.8
1988	433	247	186	17.7	25.2	13.5
1989	335	164	171	17.6	16.5	13.4
1990	320	158	161	18.5	15.7	11.5
1991	293	168	125	18.4	16.5	6.4
1992	396	246	150	17.2	24.3	10.8
1993	365	216	149	18.1	21.4	10.0
1994	362	244	119	16.8	22.9	9.4
1995	415	238	177	17.2	20.3	13.9
1996	410	235	174	17.4	18.2	12.2
1997	464	277	188	16.8	20.4	15.3
1998	525	296	229	17.9	21.4	16.9
1999	554	361	193	16.0	24.4	15.6
2000	656	440	215	16.8	30.9	14.1
2001	632	417	215	16.5	31.6	16.2
2002²	548	409	139	15.7	31.2	10.5

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

-- Not available.

NOTE: Comparisons between years, particularly between recent estimates and those from 10 or more years prior, should be made with caution due to potential reporting and other biases.

¹ The numerator of each rate is the number of males in the age group who first used the drug in the year, while the denominator is the person-time exposure of males in the age group measured in thousands of years.

² Estimated using 2003 data only.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 4.30A Numbers (in Thousands) of Males Who First Used Pain Relievers Nonmedically in the United States, Their Mean Age at First Use, and Rates of First Use (Per 1,000 Person-Years of Exposure): 1965-2002, Based on 2002 and 2003 NSDUHs

YEAR	NUMBER OF INITIATES (1,000s)			MEAN AGE	AGE-SPECIFIC RATES ¹	
	All Ages	Under 18	18 or Older		12-17	18-25
1965	38	38	*	*	*	*
1966	*	*	*	*	*	*
1967	54	*	39	23.0	*	3.0
1968	139	63	76	18.9	*	6.8
1969	229	124	105	19.2	10.7	7.3
1970	220	66	154	22.2	5.2	8.4
1971	276	161	115	17.2	13.4	8.7
1972	208	81	127	20.0	6.7	7.6
1973	237	111	126	18.7	9.1	8.3
1974	285	112	172	20.4	9.0	8.1
1975	282	113	169	19.0	9.2	10.7
1976	300	92	208	20.5	8.1	11.9
1977	371	100	271	21.0	8.6	15.3
1978	283	95	187	20.0	8.3	11.1
1979	297	118	180	19.6	10.9	10.3
1980	328	129	199	21.3	11.4	7.3
1981	261	84	177	21.2	7.8	8.5
1982	262	102	161	20.3	9.1	7.6
1983	337	77	260	22.2	7.3	14.0
1984	300	90	211	23.0	8.4	9.3
1985	297	69	228	21.1	6.1	12.3
1986	306	64	242	23.1	6.2	12.3
1987	373	75	298	24.3	6.4	12.1
1988	319	67	252	23.9	6.4	10.5
1989	366	100	266	22.8	10.0	14.1
1990	320	82	239	23.0	7.8	10.5
1991	320	97	223	22.6	9.1	10.7
1992	448	82	366	26.0	7.2	13.3
1993	370	112	258	21.6	10.1	14.9
1994	512	162	349	22.4	14.1	15.2
1995	479	166	313	21.4	13.1	17.8
1996	582	213	369	20.7	17.4	23.0
1997	716	268	448	20.5	21.6	26.1
1998	897	321	576	22.5	25.1	29.2
1999	1,027	423	604	20.8	32.9	35.2
2000	1,261	497	764	20.9	39.8	43.6
2001	1,249	564	685	20.4	46.0	40.0
2002²	1,102	522	580	20.2	43.0	31.6

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

-- Not available.

NOTE: Comparisons between years, particularly between recent estimates and those from 10 or more years prior, should be made with caution due to potential reporting and other biases.

¹ The numerator of each rate is the number of males in the age group who first used the drug in the year, while the denominator is the person-time exposure of males in the age group measured in thousands of years.

² Estimated using 2003 data only.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 4.31A Numbers (in Thousands) of Males Who First Used Tranquilizers Nonmedically in the United States, Their Mean Age at First Use, and Rates of First Use (Per 1,000 Person-Years of Exposure): 1965-2002, Based on 2002 and 2003 NSDUHs

YEAR	NUMBER OF INITIATES (1,000s)			MEAN AGE	AGE-SPECIFIC RATES ¹	
	All Ages	Under 18	18 or Older		12-17	18-25
1965	*	*	*	*	*	*
1966	*	*	*	*	*	*
1967	49	*	49	*	*	*
1968	42	*	*	*	*	*
1969	142	92	51	17.8	7.9	3.7
1970	145	52	93	20.4	4.6	5.6
1971	151	82	69	17.6	7.1	4.5
1972	217	108	109	18.2	9.2	7.1
1973	270	70	199	21.4	6.1	10.3
1974	278	143	135	17.9	12.3	9.1
1975	328	103	225	20.9	8.9	11.2
1976	292	116	176	19.3	9.6	10.4
1977	283	105	178	21.0	9.2	9.4
1978	262	55	207	20.7	5.0	11.4
1979	260	127	132	19.7	11.5	7.5
1980	228	76	153	20.4	7.2	8.7
1981	216	77	139	20.8	7.5	7.8
1982	256	58	198	22.1	5.7	10.2
1983	212	32	180	21.2	2.3	10.1
1984	182	37	145	21.8	3.6	6.9
1985	213	53	161	24.0	5.2	6.3
1986	209	54	155	26.4	5.5	5.7
1987	200	28	172	24.0	2.8	7.7
1988	223	49	175	23.6	4.9	8.7
1989	221	41	180	23.9	4.2	8.9
1990	207	55	152	24.2	5.9	7.3
1991	194	38	156	22.7	3.8	7.1
1992	211	45	167	24.4	3.9	6.5
1993	270	63	207	24.5	6.0	8.5
1994	232	59	173	21.9	5.7	8.9
1995	220	84	136	21.2	7.6	7.5
1996	295	92	203	21.6	7.9	10.9
1997	386	108	278	23.3	9.0	13.3
1998	493	154	339	22.9	12.8	16.2
1999	444	158	286	22.1	13.0	14.6
2000	677	213	464	23.3	17.2	21.3
2001	562	198	364	21.5	15.7	19.5
2002 ²	486	167	318	20.7	13.3	18.0

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

-- Not available.

NOTE: Comparisons between years, particularly between recent estimates and those from 10 or more years prior, should be made with caution due to potential reporting and other biases.

¹ The numerator of each rate is the number of males in the age group who first used the drug in the year, while the denominator is the person-time exposure of males in the age group measured in thousands of years.

² Estimated using 2003 data only.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 4.32A Numbers (in Thousands) of Males Who First Used Stimulants Nonmedically in the United States, Their Mean Age at First Use, and Rates of First Use (Per 1,000 Person-Years of Exposure): 1965-2002, Based on 2002 and 2003 NSDUHs

YEAR	NUMBER OF INITIATES (1,000s)			MEAN AGE	AGE-SPECIFIC RATES ¹	
	All Ages	Under 18	18 or Older		12-17	18-25
1965	110	*	69	19.5	*	*
1966	119	*	99	19.2	*	10.2
1967	123	67	57	19.5	6.2	4.1
1968	189	63	126	19.1	5.8	11.4
1969	267	103	164	19.1	9.2	13.0
1970	328	150	178	18.8	13.3	14.5
1971	446	151	295	19.1	12.9	21.2
1972	425	163	261	18.8	13.9	19.1
1973	291	112	179	19.5	9.7	11.9
1974	295	117	178	18.6	10.1	13.3
1975	360	131	228	19.7	11.4	14.8
1976	373	156	217	19.7	13.7	13.9
1977	361	150	211	18.7	13.2	14.7
1978	328	134	193	19.1	12.3	12.9
1979	366	147	218	18.5	13.8	14.5
1980	395	144	251	19.5	13.8	16.7
1981	375	109	266	20.6	10.7	15.2
1982	348	162	185	19.2	15.4	11.0
1983	272	51	222	21.5	5.0	11.7
1984	247	84	163	20.4	8.5	9.2
1985	226	71	155	20.8	7.1	8.9
1986	170	77	94	18.6	7.8	6.0
1987	235	70	164	21.6	7.2	8.8
1988	176	71	105	19.5	7.5	6.4
1989	196	45	152	21.0	4.4	10.2
1990	185	80	105	20.4	8.5	5.9
1991	120	41	79	19.8	3.7	5.0
1992	163	68	95	21.6	6.8	5.1
1993	218	81	137	19.6	8.1	9.5
1994	214	94	120	19.3	8.8	7.2
1995	310	125	185	20.8	11.3	11.0
1996	316	121	196	20.3	10.4	11.1
1997	321	143	178	19.9	12.2	11.8
1998	395	165	230	20.4	13.6	12.1
1999	439	198	240	20.0	15.6	13.5
2000	448	189	259	20.5	14.6	13.7
2001	401	192	209	18.7	15.3	13.3
2002²	329	174	155	18.2	13.5	9.3

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

-- Not available.

NOTE: Comparisons between years, particularly between recent estimates and those from 10 or more years prior, should be made with caution due to potential reporting and other biases.

¹ The numerator of each rate is the number of males in the age group who first used the drug in the year, while the denominator is the person-time exposure of males in the age group measured in thousands of years.

² Estimated using 2003 data only.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 4.33A Numbers (in Thousands) of Males Who First Used Methamphetamines Nonmedically in the United States, Their Mean Age at First Use, and Rates of First Use (Per 1,000 Person-Years of Exposure): 1965-2002, Based on 2002 and 2003 NSDUHs

YEAR	NUMBER OF INITIATES (1,000s)			MEAN AGE	AGE-SPECIFIC RATES ¹	
	All Ages	Under 18	18 or Older		12-17	18-25
1965	*	*	*	*	*	*
1966	60	*	50	*	*	5.1
1967	68	37	*	18.0	3.4	*
1968	69	42	27	18.0	3.8	2.4
1969	181	97	85	18.6	8.7	6.1
1970	175	66	109	19.2	5.8	8.3
1971	393	110	282	19.3	9.3	20.2
1972	211	74	137	18.3	6.3	10.7
1973	269	89	179	20.0	7.7	10.7
1974	238	94	143	19.1	8.1	10.2
1975	256	78	178	19.7	6.7	11.9
1976	244	116	128	19.4	10.0	8.1
1977	261	112	148	18.9	9.9	10.0
1978	167	56	111	19.8	5.1	7.0
1979	278	119	159	18.7	11.0	9.9
1980	245	105	139	18.7	9.9	8.3
1981	220	61	159	20.4	5.9	8.6
1982	244	80	164	19.7	7.8	10.2
1983	216	39	177	21.2	3.9	9.6
1984	208	64	144	20.1	6.4	8.2
1985	192	63	129	20.7	6.3	7.1
1986	178	69	108	19.4	7.1	6.7
1987	209	52	157	21.7	5.4	8.1
1988	154	44	110	21.4	4.6	6.2
1989	165	33	133	21.9	3.3	8.2
1990	112	26	86	22.3	2.8	4.5
1991	122	30	92	21.5	3.1	5.4
1992	100	32	68	20.0	3.1	4.5
1993	180	57	123	20.6	5.7	7.9
1994	154	48	105	20.0	4.7	6.7
1995	192	63	129	21.5	5.7	7.2
1996	190	66	123	21.3	5.7	6.6
1997	195	68	127	20.7	5.9	6.7
1998	228	86	142	22.7	7.3	5.3
1999	215	76	140	20.9	6.2	7.9
2000	192	74	118	20.6	6.0	5.7
2001	195	75	120	20.2	5.9	6.7
2002²	165	66	99	20.1	5.1	4.9

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

-- Not available.

NOTE: Comparisons between years, particularly between recent estimates and those from 10 or more years prior, should be made with caution due to potential reporting and other biases.

¹ The numerator of each rate is the number of males in the age group who first used the drug in the year, while the denominator is the person-time exposure of males in the age group measured in thousands of years.

² Estimated using 2003 data only.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 4.34A Numbers (in Thousands) of Males Who First Used Sedatives Nonmedically in the United States, Their Mean Age at First Use, and Rates of First Use (Per 1,000 Person-Years of Exposure): 1965-2002, Based on 2002 and 2003 NSDUHs

YEAR	NUMBER OF INITIATES (1,000s)			MEAN AGE	AGE-SPECIFIC RATES ¹	
	All Ages	Under 18	18 or Older		12-17	18-25
1965	35	*	*	*	*	*
1966	36	*	*	*	*	*
1967	74	33	41	19.3	3.1	3.3
1968	105	39	66	19.2	3.6	5.0
1969	171	108	63	17.4	9.7	5.4
1970	173	91	82	19.1	8.1	5.0
1971	306	150	155	18.3	12.9	11.4
1972	297	113	185	18.0	9.7	14.3
1973	312	162	150	18.6	13.4	10.2
1974	364	151	214	18.6	12.9	14.8
1975	297	113	185	19.4	9.8	12.4
1976	307	169	139	18.3	14.8	9.0
1977	318	83	235	19.9	7.4	14.4
1978	219	117	101	18.1	10.7	6.0
1979	315	129	186	18.5	12.1	12.7
1980	225	89	136	19.0	8.6	8.3
1981	221	77	144	20.6	7.5	8.0
1982	168	62	105	19.1	6.0	6.3
1983	176	38	138	20.6	3.8	7.7
1984	99	24	75	21.0	2.3	4.5
1985	77	*	50	20.7	*	2.6
1986	48	*	38	24.2	*	1.9
1987	67	*	61	28.5	*	1.4
1988	39	*	33	23.1	*	1.4
1989	37	14	23	23.5	*	*
1990	43	*	36	23.4	*	1.8
1991	42	13	29	22.8	1.4	1.3
1992	55	26	29	22.5	2.4	1.4
1993	55	20	35	21.8	2.0	1.9
1994	69	14	54	23.4	1.2	2.0
1995	50	17	33	20.5	1.5	1.9
1996	60	22	38	19.9	1.7	2.2
1997	87	37	51	21.8	3.0	2.0
1998	74	26	47	23.3	2.0	2.4
1999	90	31	60	24.6	2.3	2.2
2000	112	40	73	22.3	2.9	2.7
2001	93	33	60	23.4	2.2	2.2
2002²	52	42	10	15.6	3.3	0.6

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

-- Not available.

NOTE: Comparisons between years, particularly between recent estimates and those from 10 or more years prior, should be made with caution due to potential reporting and other biases.

¹ The numerator of each rate is the number of males in the age group who first used the drug in the year, while the denominator is the person-time exposure of males in the age group measured in thousands of years.

² Estimated using 2003 data only.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 4.35A Numbers (in Thousands) of Males Who First Used Alcohol in the United States, Their Mean Age at First Use, and Rates of First Use (Per 1,000 Person-Years of Exposure): 1965-2002, Based on 2002 and 2003 NSDUHs

YEAR	NUMBER OF INITIATES (1,000s)			MEAN AGE	AGE-SPECIFIC RATES ¹	
	All Ages	Under 18	18 or Older		12-17	18-25
1965	1,803	1,204	599	16.5	143.7	293.4
1966	1,554	1,111	443	15.9	133.0	230.1
1967	1,838	1,186	652	16.4	139.4	323.7
1968	1,882	1,405	477	15.7	164.6	219.2
1969	2,041	1,334	708	16.3	156.0	334.5
1970	1,973	1,372	601	16.0	153.1	332.8
1971	1,998	1,408	590	16.1	155.5	323.3
1972	2,160	1,648	512	15.6	186.0	293.4
1973	2,030	1,466	565	15.8	172.9	339.0
1974	1,949	1,508	441	15.5	181.7	276.6
1975	2,001	1,459	542	15.8	175.6	322.7
1976	1,890	1,394	496	15.6	171.2	298.1
1977	1,887	1,463	424	15.4	184.2	267.6
1978	1,909	1,430	479	15.5	186.5	292.6
1979	1,850	1,489	361	15.3	207.1	222.7
1980	1,561	1,192	369	15.6	166.9	217.2
1981	1,647	1,293	353	15.4	181.0	203.2
1982	1,801	1,344	457	15.7	185.6	263.2
1983	1,529	1,146	383	15.7	159.1	234.0
1984	1,620	1,278	342	15.2	178.1	208.5
1985	1,630	1,195	435	15.8	173.5	266.0
1986	1,523	1,264	259	15.0	185.4	152.0
1987	1,547	1,116	430	16.0	168.4	252.4
1988	1,424	1,074	351	15.5	162.4	196.2
1989	1,446	1,020	426	16.1	155.4	228.7
1990	1,351	990	361	15.7	143.6	199.8
1991	1,460	1,003	457	16.0	140.3	257.2
1992	1,600	1,166	434	16.3	158.6	229.8
1993	1,540	1,096	444	15.8	144.3	240.1
1994	1,511	1,169	342	15.1	142.9	193.2
1995	1,555	1,156	399	15.6	139.0	205.2
1996	1,654	1,192	462	15.8	139.2	229.9
1997	1,808	1,315	493	15.8	147.1	242.8
1998	1,984	1,415	569	15.9	155.7	272.5
1999	2,090	1,558	532	15.7	168.6	253.1
2000	2,474	1,858	615	15.7	220.3	298.5
2001 ²	2,458	1,860	597	15.8	219.4	282.5
2002 ²	--	--	566	--	197.9	278.8

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

-- Not available.

NOTE: Comparisons between years, particularly between recent estimates and those from 10 or more years prior, should be made with caution due to potential reporting and other biases.

¹ The numerator of each rate is the number of males in the age group who first used the drug in the year, while the denominator is the person-time exposure of males in the age group measured in thousands of years.

² Estimated using 2003 data only.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.