

TABLE 8
Trends in Disapproval of Drug Use by Eighth Graders

	Percentage who "disapprove" or "strongly disapprove" ^a															
	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	'04-'05 change
<i>Do you disapprove of people who . . .</i>																
Try marijuana once or twice	84.6	82.1	79.2	72.9	70.7	67.5	67.6	69.0	70.7	72.5	72.4	73.3	73.8	75.9	75.3	-0.6
Smoke marijuana occasionally	89.5	88.1	85.7	80.9	79.7	76.5	78.1	78.4	79.3	80.6	80.6	80.9	81.5	83.1	82.4	-0.8
Smoke marijuana regularly	92.1	90.8	88.9	85.3	85.1	82.8	84.6	84.5	84.5	85.3	84.5	85.3	85.7	86.8	86.3	-0.5
Try inhalants once or twice ^b	84.9	84.0	82.5	81.6	81.8	82.9	84.1	83.0	85.2	85.4	86.6	86.1	85.1	85.1	84.6	-0.5
Try inhalants regularly ^b	90.6	90.0	88.9	88.1	88.8	89.3	90.3	89.5	90.3	90.2	90.5	90.4	89.8	90.1	89.8	-0.3
Take LSD once or twice ^c	—	—	77.1	75.2	71.6	70.9	72.1	69.1	69.4	66.7	64.6	62.6	61.0	58.1	58.5	+0.4
Take LSD regularly ^c	—	—	79.8	78.4	75.8	75.3	76.3	72.5	72.5	69.3	67.0	65.5	63.5	60.5	60.7	+0.2
Try MDMA (ecstasy) once or twice ^d	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	69.0	74.3	77.7	76.3	75.0	-1.3
Take MDMA (ecstasy) occasionally ^d	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	73.6	78.6	81.3	79.4	77.9	-1.5
Try crack once or twice ^b	91.7	90.7	89.1	86.9	85.9	85.0	85.7	85.4	86.0	85.4	86.0	86.2	86.4	87.4	87.6	+0.2
Take crack occasionally ^b	93.3	92.5	91.7	89.9	89.8	89.3	90.3	89.5	89.9	88.8	89.8	89.6	89.8	90.3	90.5	+0.3
Try cocaine powder once or twice ^b	91.2	89.6	88.5	86.1	85.3	83.9	85.1	84.5	85.2	84.8	85.6	85.8	85.6	86.8	87.0	+0.1
Take cocaine powder occasionally ^b	93.1	92.4	91.6	89.7	89.7	88.7	90.1	89.3	89.9	88.8	89.6	89.9	89.8	90.3	90.7	+0.4
Try heroin once or twice without using a needle ^c	—	—	—	—	85.8	85.0	87.7	87.3	88.0	87.2	87.2	87.8	86.9	86.6	86.9	+0.4
Try heroin occasionally without using a needle ^c	—	—	—	—	88.5	87.7	90.1	89.7	90.2	88.9	88.9	89.6	89.0	88.6	88.5	0.0
Try one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage (beer, wine, liquor)	51.7	52.2	50.9	47.8	48.0	45.5	45.7	47.5	48.3	48.7	49.8	51.1	49.7	51.1	51.2	+0.1
Take one or two drinks nearly every day	82.2	81.0	79.6	76.7	75.9	74.1	76.6	76.9	77.0	77.8	77.4	78.3	77.1	78.6	78.7	+0.1
Have five or more drinks once or twice each weekend	85.2	83.9	83.3	80.7	80.7	79.1	81.3	81.0	80.3	81.2	81.6	81.9	81.9	82.3	82.9	+0.6
Smoke one or more packs of cigarettes per day ^e	82.8	82.3	80.6	78.4	78.6	77.3	80.3	80.0	81.4	81.9	83.5	84.6	84.6	85.7	85.3	-0.5
Use smokeless tobacco regularly	79.1	77.2	77.1	75.1	74.0	74.1	76.5	76.3	78.0	79.2	79.4	80.6	80.7	81.0	82.0	+1.0
Take steroids ^f	89.8	90.3	89.9	87.9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Approx. N = 17,400 18,500 18,400 17,400 17,600 18,000 18,800 18,100 16,700 16,700 16,200 15,100 16,500 17,000 16,800</i>																

NOTES: Level of significance of difference between the two most recent classes: $s = .05$, $ss = .01$, $sss = .001$. '—' indicates data not available.

Any apparent inconsistency between the change estimate and the prevalence of use estimates for the two most recent classes is due to rounding error.

SOURCE: The Monitoring the Future Study, the University of Michigan.

^aAnswer alternatives were: (1) Don't disapprove, (2) Disapprove, (3) Strongly disapprove, and (4) Can't say, drug unfamiliar.

^bBeginning in 1997, data based on two-thirds of N indicated due to changes in questionnaire forms.

^cData based on one of two forms in 1993–96; N is one-half of N indicated. Beginning in 1997, data based on one-third of N indicated due to changes in questionnaire forms.

^dData based on one-third of N indicated.

^eBeginning in 1999, data based on two-thirds of N indicated due to changes in questionnaire forms.

^fData based on two forms in 1991 and 1992. Data based on one of two forms in 1993 and 1994; N is one-half of N indicated.