

**TABLE 12**  
**Trends in Perceived Availability of Drugs by Eighth and Tenth Graders, 1992–2002**

How difficult do you think it would be for you to get each of the following types of drugs, if you wanted some?	Percentage saying "fairly easy" or "very easy" to get <sup>a</sup>																							
	8th Grade											10th Grade												
	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	'01-'02 change	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	'01-'02 change
Marijuana	42.3	43.8	49.9	52.4	54.8	54.2	50.6	48.4	47.0	48.1	46.6	-1.4	65.2	68.4	75.0	78.1	81.1	80.5	77.9	78.2	77.7	77.4	75.9	-1.5
LSD	21.5	21.8	21.8	23.5	23.6	22.7	19.3	18.3	17.0	17.6	15.2	-2.4ss	33.6	35.8	36.1	39.8	41.0	38.3	34.0	34.3	32.9	31.2	26.8	-4.4sss
PCP <sup>b</sup>	18.0	18.5	17.7	19.0	19.6	19.2	17.5	17.1	16.0	15.4	14.1	-1.4	23.7	23.4	23.8	24.7	26.8	24.8	23.9	24.5	25.0	21.6	20.8	-0.8
MDMA (Ecstasy) <sup>b</sup>	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	23.8	22.8	-1.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	41.4	41.0	-0.4
Crack	25.6	25.9	26.9	28.7	27.9	27.5	26.5	25.9	24.9	24.4	23.7	-0.7	33.7	33.0	34.2	34.6	36.4	36.0	36.3	36.5	34.0	30.6	31.3	+0.7
Cocaine powder	25.7	25.9	26.4	27.8	27.2	26.9	25.7	25.0	23.9	23.9	22.5	-1.5	35.0	34.1	34.5	35.3	36.9	37.1	36.8	36.7	34.5	31.0	31.8	+0.9
Heroin	19.7	19.8	19.4	21.1	20.6	19.8	18.0	17.5	16.5	16.9	16.0	-0.9	24.3	24.3	24.7	24.6	24.8	24.4	23.0	23.7	22.3	20.1	19.9	-0.3
Other narcotics <sup>b</sup>	19.8	19.0	18.3	20.3	20.0	20.6	17.1	16.2	15.6	15.0	14.7	-0.3	26.9	24.9	26.9	27.8	29.4	29.0	26.1	26.6	27.2	25.8	25.4	-0.4
Amphetamines	32.2	31.4	31.0	33.4	32.6	30.6	27.3	25.9	25.5	26.2	24.4	-1.8s	43.4	46.4	46.6	47.7	47.2	44.6	41.0	41.3	40.9	40.6	39.6	-1.0
Crystal meth. (ice) <sup>b</sup>	16.0	15.1	14.1	16.0	16.3	15.7	16.0	14.7	14.9	13.9	13.3	-0.6	18.8	16.4	17.8	20.7	22.6	22.9	22.1	21.8	22.8	19.9	20.5	+0.6
Barbiturates	27.4	26.1	25.3	26.5	25.6	24.4	21.1	20.8	19.7	20.7	19.4	-1.2	38.0	38.8	38.3	38.8	38.1	35.6	32.7	33.2	32.4	32.8	32.4	-0.4
Tranquilizers	22.9	21.4	20.4	21.3	20.4	19.6	18.1	17.3	16.2	17.8	16.9	-0.9	31.6	30.5	29.8	30.6	30.3	28.7	26.5	26.8	27.6	28.5	28.3	-0.2
Alcohol	76.2	73.9	74.5	74.9	75.3	74.9	73.1	72.3	70.6	70.6	67.9	-2.8sss	88.6	88.9	89.8	89.7	90.4	89.0	88.0	88.2	87.7	87.7	84.8	-2.9sss
Cigarettes	77.8	75.5	76.1	76.4	76.9	76.0	73.6	71.5	68.7	67.7	64.3	-3.5sss	89.1	89.4	90.3	90.7	91.3	89.6	88.1	88.3	86.8	86.3	83.3	-3.1sss
Steroids	24.0	22.7	23.1	23.8	24.1	23.6	22.3	22.6	22.3	23.1	22.0	-1.2	37.6	33.6	33.6	34.8	34.8	34.2	33.0	35.9	35.4	33.1	33.2	0.0
	Approx. N = 8355 16775 16119 15496 16318 16482 16208 15397 15180 14804 13972											7014 14652 15192 16209 14887 14856 14423 13112 13690 13518 13694												

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.

<sup>a</sup>Answer alternatives were: (1) Probably impossible, (2) Very difficult, (3) Fairly difficult, (4) Fairly easy, (5) Very easy, and (6) Can't say, drug unfamiliar.  
<sup>b</sup>Beginning in 1993, data based on half of forms; N is one-half of N indicated.