

TABLE 12
Trends in Perceived Availability of Drugs by Eighth and Tenth Graders, 1992–2003

<i>How difficult do you think it would be for you to get each of the following types of drugs, if you wanted some?</i>	Percentage saying "fairly easy" or "very easy" to get ^a																									
	<u>8th Grade</u>												<u>10th Grade</u>													
	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	'02-'03 change	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	'02-'03 change
Marijuana	42.3	43.8	49.9	52.4	54.8	54.2	50.6	48.4	47.0	48.1	46.6	44.8	-1.8	65.2	68.4	75.0	78.1	81.1	80.5	77.9	78.2	77.7	77.4	75.9	73.9	-2.1s
LSD	21.5	21.8	21.8	23.5	23.6	22.7	19.3	18.3	17.0	17.6	15.2	14.0	-1.2	33.6	35.8	36.1	39.8	41.0	38.3	34.0	34.3	32.9	31.2	26.8	23.1	-3.7sss
PCP ^b	18.0	18.5	17.7	19.0	19.6	19.2	17.5	17.1	16.0	15.4	14.1	13.7	-0.4	23.7	23.4	23.8	24.7	26.8	24.8	23.9	24.5	25.0	21.6	20.8	19.4	-1.4
MDMA (Ecstasy) ^b	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	23.8	22.8	21.6	-1.2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	41.4	41.0	36.3	-4.7sss
Crack	25.6	25.9	26.9	28.7	27.9	27.5	26.5	25.9	24.9	24.4	23.7	22.5	-1.2	33.7	33.0	34.2	34.6	36.4	36.0	36.3	36.5	34.0	30.6	31.3	29.6	-1.7
Cocaine powder	25.7	25.9	26.4	27.8	27.2	26.9	25.7	25.0	23.9	23.9	22.5	21.6	-0.9	35.0	34.1	34.5	35.3	36.9	37.1	36.8	36.7	34.5	31.0	31.8	29.6	-2.2s
Heroin	19.7	19.8	19.4	21.1	20.6	19.8	18.0	17.5	16.5	16.9	16.0	15.6	-0.4	24.3	24.3	24.7	24.6	24.8	24.4	23.0	23.7	22.3	20.1	19.9	18.8	-1.1
Other narcotics ^b	19.8	19.0	18.3	20.3	20.0	20.6	17.1	16.2	15.6	15.0	14.7	15.0	+0.3	26.9	24.9	26.9	27.8	29.4	29.0	26.1	26.6	27.2	25.8	25.4	23.5	-1.9
Amphetamines	32.2	31.4	31.0	33.4	32.6	30.6	27.3	25.9	25.5	26.2	24.4	24.4	0.0	43.4	46.4	46.6	47.7	47.2	44.6	41.0	41.3	40.9	40.6	39.6	36.1	-3.5sss
Crystal meth. (Ice) ^b	16.0	15.1	14.1	16.0	16.3	15.7	16.0	14.7	14.9	13.9	13.3	14.1	+0.8	18.8	16.4	17.8	20.7	22.6	22.9	22.1	21.8	22.8	19.9	20.5	19.0	-1.5
Barbiturates	27.4	26.1	25.3	26.5	25.6	24.4	21.1	20.8	19.7	20.7	19.4	19.3	-0.1	38.0	38.8	38.3	38.8	38.1	35.6	32.7	33.2	32.4	32.8	32.4	28.8	-3.6sss
Tranquilizers	22.9	21.4	20.4	21.3	20.4	19.6	18.1	17.3	16.2	17.8	16.9	17.3	+0.3	31.6	30.5	29.8	30.6	30.3	28.7	26.5	26.8	27.6	28.5	28.3	25.6	-2.8ss
Alcohol	76.2	73.9	74.5	74.9	75.3	74.9	73.1	72.3	70.6	70.6	67.9	67.0	-0.9	88.6	88.9	89.8	89.7	90.4	89.0	88.0	88.2	87.7	87.7	84.8	83.4	-1.3s
Cigarettes	77.8	75.5	76.1	76.4	76.9	76.0	73.6	71.5	68.7	67.7	64.3	63.1	-1.2	89.1	89.4	90.3	90.7	91.3	89.6	88.1	88.3	86.8	86.3	83.3	80.7	-2.6sss
Steroids	24.0	22.7	23.1	23.8	24.1	23.6	22.3	22.6	22.3	23.1	22.0	21.7	-0.3	37.6	33.6	33.6	34.8	34.8	34.2	33.0	35.9	35.4	33.1	33.2	30.6	-2.6ss
<i>Approx. N = 8355 16775 16119 15496 16318 16482 16208 15397 15180 14804 13972 15583</i>													<i>7014 14652 15192 16209 14887 14856 14423 13112 13690 13518 13694 15225</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) Probably impossible, (2) Very difficult, (3) Fairly difficult, (4) Fairly easy, (5) Very easy, and (6) Can't say, drug unfamiliar.

^bBeginning in 1993, data based on half of forms; N is one-half of N indicated.