

TABLE 12
Trends in Availability of Drugs as Perceived by 10th Graders

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 ^a																		2008–2009 change																	
	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009																		
Marijuana	65.2	68.4	75.0	78.1	81.1	80.5	77.9	78.2	77.7	77.4	75.9	73.9	73.3	72.6	70.7	69.0	67.4	69.3	[-0.5]																	
LSD	33.6	35.8	36.1	39.8	41.0	38.3	34.0	34.3	32.9	31.2	26.8	23.1	21.6	20.7	19.2	19.0	19.3	17.8	[-2.2] ss																	
PCP ^b	23.7	23.4	23.8	24.7	26.8	24.8	23.9	24.5	25.0	21.6	20.8	19.4	18.0	18.1	15.8	15.4	14.4	13.4	[-1.7]																	
Ecstasy (MDMA) ^b	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	41.4	41.0	36.3	31.2	30.2	27.4	27.7	26.7	25.6	[-1.0]																	
Crack	33.7	33.0	34.2	34.6	36.4	36.0	36.3	36.5	34.0	30.6	31.3	29.6	30.6	31.0	29.9	29.0	27.2	23.9	[-3.2] ss																	
Cocaine powder	35.0	34.1	34.5	35.3	36.9	37.1	36.8	36.7	34.5	31.0	31.8	29.6	31.2	31.5	30.7	30.0	28.2	24.7	[-3.4] sss																	
Heroin	24.3	24.3	24.7	24.6	24.8	24.4	23.0	23.7	22.3	20.1	19.9	18.8	18.7	19.3	17.4	17.3	17.2	15.0	[-1.9] s																	
Narcotics other than heroin ^b	26.9	24.9	26.9	27.8	29.4	29.0	26.1	26.6	27.2	25.8	25.4	23.5	23.1	23.6	22.2	21.5	20.3	18.8	[-1.2]																	
Amphetamines	43.4	46.4	46.6	47.7	47.2	44.6	41.0	41.3	40.9	40.6	39.6	36.1	35.7	35.6	34.7	33.3	32.0	31.8	[-0.5]																	
Crystal methamphetamine (ice) ^b	18.8	16.4	17.8	20.7	22.6	22.9	22.1	21.8	22.8	19.9	20.5	19.0	19.5	21.6	20.8	18.8	15.8	14.0	[-2.8] s																	
Sedatives (barbiturates)	38.0	38.8	38.3	38.8	38.1	35.6	32.7	33.2	32.4	32.8	32.4	28.8	30.0	29.7	29.9	28.2	26.9	25.5	[-1.4]																	
Tranquilizers	31.6	30.5	29.8	30.6	30.3	28.7	26.5	26.8	27.6	28.5	28.3	25.6	25.6	25.4	25.1	24.9	24.1	22.3	[-1.6]																	
Alcohol	88.6	88.9	89.8	89.7	90.4	89.0	88.0	88.2	87.7	87.7	84.8	83.4	84.3	83.7	83.1	82.6	81.1	80.9	[-1.2]																	
Cigarettes	89.1	89.4	90.3	90.7	91.3	89.6	88.1	88.3	86.8	86.3	83.3	80.7	81.4	81.5	79.5	78.2	76.5	76.1	[-1.3]																	
Steroids	37.6	33.6	33.6	34.8	34.8	34.2	33.0	35.9	35.4	33.1	33.2	30.6	29.6	29.7	30.2	27.7	24.5	20.8	[-3.0] sss																	
<i>Approximate weighted N =</i>																			7,014	14,652	15,192	16,209	14,887	14,856	14,423	13,112	13,690	13,518	13,694	15,255	15,806	15,636	15,804	15,511	14,634	15,451

Source. The Monitoring the Future study, the University of Michigan.

Notes. "[]" indicates that because we believe the 2008–2009 observed changes based on the total samples to be inaccurate for this variable for 10th grade, the change derived from the matched half-sample of schools participating in both years has been substituted here. See text.

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 estimates for the two most recent years is due to rounding.

^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 one of two of forms; *N* is one half of *N* indicated.