

**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 <sup>a</sup> |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        | 2009–2010 change |
|---|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|------------------|
|   | 1992   | 1993   | 1994   | 1995   | 1996   | 1997   | 1998   | 1999   | 2000   | 2001   | 2002   | 2003   | 2004   | 2005   | 2006   | 2007   | 2008   | 2009   | 2010   |                  |
| 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   | 69.4   | +0.2             |
| 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   | 18.3   | +0.5             |
| PCP <sup>b</sup>  | 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   | 12.6   | -0.8             |
| Ecstasy (MDMA) <sup>b</sup>   | —  | —      | —      | —      | —      | —      | —      | —      | —      | 41.4   | 41.0   | 36.3   | 31.2   | 30.2   | 27.4   | 27.7   | 26.7   | 25.6   | 25.7   | +0.1             |
| 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   | 22.5   | -1.5             |
| 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   | 22.6   | -2.1 s           |
| 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   | 14.5   | -0.5             |
| Narcotics other than Heroin <sup>b,c</sup>  | 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‡  | 28.7   | —                |
| 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   | 32.6   | +0.8             |
| Crystal methamphetamine (ice) <sup>b</sup>  | 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   | 13.3   | -0.7             |
| 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   | 24.9   | -0.5             |
| 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   | 21.6   | -0.7             |
| 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   | 80.0   | -0.9             |
| 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   | 75.6   | -0.5             |
| 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   | 20.3   | -0.4             |
| Approximate weighted N =  | 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 | 14,827 |                  |

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

Notes. Level of significance of difference between the two most recent classes: s = .05, ss = .01, sss = .001. "—" indicates data not available. "‡" indicates some change in the question. See relevant footnote for that drug.

Any apparent inconsistency between the change estimate and the prevalence estimates for the two most recent years is due to rounding.

<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 one of two forms; N is one half of N indicated.

<sup>c</sup>In 2010 the list of examples for narcotics other than heroin was changed from "methadone, opium" to "Vicodin, OxyContin, Percocet, etc." This change likely explains the discontinuity in the 2010 results.