

TABLE 8

Trends in Disapproval of Drug Use by Eighth, Tenth, and Twelfth Graders, 1991–99

Do you disapprove of people who . . .	Percent who "disapprove" or "strongly disapprove" ^a																													
	8th Grade										10th Grade										12th Grade ^b									
	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	'98-'99 change	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	'98-'99 change	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	'98-'99 change
Try marijuana once or twice	84.6	82.1	79.2	72.9	70.7	67.5	67.6	69.0	70.7	+1.8s	74.6	74.8	70.3	62.4	59.8	55.5	54.1	56.0	56.2	+0.2	68.7	69.9	63.3	57.6	56.7	52.5	51.0	51.6	48.8	-2.8
Smoke marijuana occasionally	89.5	88.1	85.7	80.9	79.7	76.5	78.1	78.4	79.3	+0.9	83.7	83.6	79.4	72.3	70.0	66.9	66.2	67.3	68.2	+1.0	79.4	79.7	75.5	68.9	66.7	62.9	63.2	64.4	62.5	-2.0
Smoke marijuana regularly	92.1	90.8	88.9	85.3	85.1	82.8	84.6	84.5	84.5	0.0	90.4	90.0	87.4	82.2	81.1	79.7	79.7	80.1	79.8	-0.3	89.3	90.1	87.6	82.3	81.9	80.0	78.8	81.2	78.6	-2.6
Try inhalants once or twice ^c	84.9	84.0	82.5	81.6	81.8	82.9	84.1	83.0	85.2	+2.2s	85.2	85.6	84.8	84.9	84.5	86.0	86.9	85.6	88.4	+2.8sss	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Take inhalants regularly ^c	90.6	90.0	88.9	88.1	88.8	89.3	90.3	89.5	90.3	+0.8	91.0	91.5	90.9	91.0	90.9	91.7	91.7	91.1	92.4	+1.2s	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Try LSD once or twice ^d	—	—	77.1	75.2	71.6	70.9	72.1	69.1	69.4	+0.3	—	—	82.1	79.3	77.9	76.8	76.6	76.7	77.8	+1.1	90.1	88.1	85.9	82.5	81.1	79.6	80.5	82.1	83.0	+0.9
Take LSD regularly ^d	—	—	79.8	78.4	75.8	75.3	76.3	72.5	72.5	-0.1	—	—	86.8	85.6	84.8	84.5	83.4	82.9	84.3	+1.4	96.4	95.5	95.8	94.3	92.5	93.2	92.9	93.5	94.3	+0.8
Try crack once or twice ^c	91.7	90.7	89.1	86.9	85.9	85.0	85.7	85.4	86.0	+0.6	92.5	92.5	91.4	89.9	88.7	88.2	87.4	87.1	87.8	+0.8	92.1	93.1	89.9	89.5	91.4	87.4	87.0	86.7	87.6	+0.9
Take crack occasionally ^c	93.3	92.5	91.7	89.9	89.8	89.3	90.3	89.5	89.9	+0.4	94.3	94.4	93.6	92.5	91.7	91.9	91.0	90.6	91.5	+0.8	94.2	95.0	92.8	92.8	94.0	91.2	91.3	90.9	92.3	+1.4
Try cocaine powder once or twice ^c	91.2	89.6	88.5	86.1	85.3	83.9	85.1	84.5	85.2	+0.7	90.8	91.1	90.0	88.1	86.8	86.1	85.1	84.9	86.0	+1.1	88.0	89.4	86.6	87.1	88.3	83.1	83.0	83.1	84.3	+1.2
Take cocaine powder occasionally ^c	93.1	92.4	91.6	89.7	89.7	88.7	90.1	89.3	89.9	+0.5	94.0	94.0	93.2	92.1	91.4	91.1	90.4	89.7	90.7	+1.0	93.0	93.4	91.2	91.0	92.7	89.7	89.3	88.7	90.0	+1.3
Try heroin once or twice without using a needle ^d	—	—	—	—	85.8	85.0	87.7	87.3	88.0	+0.6	—	—	—	—	89.7	89.5	89.1	88.6	90.1	+1.4	—	—	—	—	92.9	90.8	92.3	93.0	92.6	-0.4
Take heroin occasionally without using a needle ^d	—	—	—	—	88.5	87.7	90.1	89.7	90.2	+0.6	—	—	—	—	91.6	91.7	91.4	90.5	91.8	+1.3	—	—	—	—	94.7	93.2	94.4	94.3	93.8	-0.5
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	+0.9	37.6	39.9	38.5	36.5	36.1	34.2	33.7	34.7	35.1	+0.3	29.8	33.0	30.1	28.4	27.3	26.5	26.1	24.5	24.6	+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	+0.1	81.7	81.7	78.6	75.2	75.4	73.8	75.4	74.6	75.4	+0.8	76.5	75.9	77.8	73.1	73.3	70.8	70.0	69.4	67.2	-2.2
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	-0.7	76.7	77.6	74.7	72.3	72.2	70.7	70.2	70.5	69.9	-0.6	67.4	70.7	70.1	65.1	66.7	64.7	65.0	63.8	62.7	-1.1
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	+1.4	79.4	77.8	76.5	73.9	73.2	71.6	73.8	75.3	76.1	+0.8	71.4	73.5	70.6	69.8	68.2	67.2	67.1	68.8	69.5	+0.7
Use smokeless tobacco regularly	79.1	77.2	77.1	75.1	74.0	74.1	76.5	76.3	78.0	+1.8s	75.4	74.6	73.8	71.2	71.0	71.0	72.3	73.2	75.1	+1.8s	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Take steroids ^f	89.8	90.3	89.9	87.9	—	—	—	—	—	—	90.0	91.0	91.2	90.8	—	—	—	—	—	—	90.5	92.1	92.1	91.9	91.0	91.7	91.4	90.8	88.9	-1.9
<i>Approx. N (in thousands) =</i>	<i>17.4</i>	<i>18.5</i>	<i>18.4</i>	<i>17.4</i>	<i>17.6</i>	<i>18.0</i>	<i>18.8</i>	<i>18.1</i>	<i>16.7</i>		<i>14.8</i>	<i>14.8</i>	<i>15.3</i>	<i>15.9</i>	<i>17.0</i>	<i>15.7</i>	<i>15.6</i>	<i>15.0</i>	<i>13.6</i>		<i>2.5</i>	<i>2.6</i>	<i>2.7</i>	<i>2.6</i>	<i>2.6</i>	<i>2.4</i>	<i>2.6</i>	<i>2.5</i>	<i>2.3</i>	

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

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

^aAnswer alternatives were: (1) Don't disapprove, (2) Disapprove, and (3) Strongly disapprove. For 8th and 10th grades, there was another category—"Can't say, drug unfamiliar"—which was included in the calculation of these percentages.

^bThe twelfth grade questions ask about people who are 18 or older.

^c8th and 10th grade: Beginning in 1997, data based on two-thirds of N indicated due to changes in questionnaire forms.

^d8th and 10th grade: Data 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.

^e8th and 10th grade: Beginning in 1999, data based on two-thirds of N indicated due to changes in questionnaire forms.

^f8th and 10th grade: Data based on two forms in 1991 and 1992 and on one of two forms in 1993 and 1994; N is one-half of N indicated.