

TABLE 11
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Percentage saying great risk ^a

<i>How much do you think people risk harming themselves (physically or in other ways), if they . . .</i>	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990
Use marijuana once or twice	15.1	11.4	9.5	8.1	9.4	10.0	13.0	11.5	12.7	14.7	14.8	15.1	18.4	19.0	23.6	23.1
Use marijuana occasionally	18.1	15.0	13.4	12.4	13.5	14.7	19.1	18.3	20.6	22.6	24.5	25.0	30.4	31.7	36.5	36.9
Use marijuana regularly	43.3	38.6	36.4	34.9	42.0	50.4	57.6	60.4	62.8	66.9	70.4	71.3	73.5	77.0	77.5	77.8
Try synthetic marijuana once or twice	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Take synthetic marijuana occasionally	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Try LSD once or twice	49.4	45.7	43.2	42.7	41.6	43.9	45.5	44.9	44.7	45.4	43.5	42.0	44.9	45.7	46.0	44.7
Take LSD regularly	81.4	80.8	79.1	81.1	82.4	83.0	83.5	83.5	83.2	83.8	82.9	82.6	83.8	84.2	84.3	84.5
Try PCP once or twice	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	55.6	58.8	56.6	55.2
Try ecstasy (MDMA, Molly) once or twice ^b	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Try salvia once or twice ^c	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Take salvia occasionally	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Try cocaine once or twice	42.6	39.1	35.6	33.2	31.5	31.3	32.1	32.8	33.0	35.7	34.0	33.5	47.9	51.2	54.9	59.4
Take cocaine occasionally	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	54.2	66.8	69.2	71.8	73.9
Take cocaine regularly	73.1	72.3	68.2	68.2	69.5	69.2	71.2	73.0	74.3	78.8	79.0	82.2	88.5	89.2	90.2	91.1
Try crack once or twice	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	57.0	62.1	62.9	64.3
Take crack occasionally	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	70.4	73.2	75.3	80.4
Take crack regularly	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	84.6	84.8	85.6	91.6
Try cocaine powder once or twice	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	45.3	51.7	53.8	53.9
Take cocaine powder occasionally	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	56.8	61.9	65.8	71.1
Take cocaine powder regularly	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	81.4	82.9	83.9	90.2
Try heroin once or twice	60.1	58.9	55.8	52.9	50.4	52.1	52.9	51.1	50.8	49.8	47.3	45.8	53.6	54.0	53.8	55.4
Take heroin occasionally	75.6	75.6	71.9	71.4	70.9	70.9	72.2	69.8	71.8	70.7	69.8	68.2	74.6	73.8	75.5	76.6
Take heroin regularly	87.2	88.6	86.1	86.6	87.5	86.2	87.5	86.0	86.1	87.2	86.0	87.1	88.7	88.8	89.5	90.2
Try heroin once or twice without using a needle	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Take heroin occasionally without using a needle	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Try any narcotic other than heroin (codeine, Vicodin, OxyContin, Percocet, etc.) once or twice	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Take any narcotic other than heroin occasionally	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Take any narcotic other than heroin regularly	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

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<i>How much do you think people risk harming themselves (physically or in other ways), if they . . .</i>	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990
Try amphetamines once or twice ^d	35.4	33.4	30.8	29.9	29.7	29.7	26.4	25.3	24.7	25.4	25.2	25.1	29.1	29.6	32.8	32.2
Take amphetamines regularly ^d	69.0	67.3	66.6	67.1	69.9	69.1	66.1	64.7	64.8	67.1	67.2	67.3	69.4	69.8	71.2	71.2
Try Adderall once or twice ^e	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Try Adderall occasionally ^e	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Try crystal methamphetamine (ice) once or twice	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Try bath salts (synthetic stimulants) once or twice	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Take bath salts (synthetic stimulants) occasionally	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Try sedatives (barbiturates) once or twice ^f	34.8	32.5	31.2	31.3	30.7	30.9	28.4	27.5	27.0	27.4	26.1	25.4	30.9	29.7	32.2	32.4
Take sedatives (barbiturates) regularly ^f	69.1	67.7	68.6	68.4	71.6	72.2	69.9	67.6	67.7	68.5	68.3	67.2	69.4	69.6	70.5	70.2
Try one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage (beer, wine, liquor)	5.3	4.8	4.1	3.4	4.1	3.8	4.6	3.5	4.2	4.6	5.0	4.6	6.2	6.0	6.0	8.3
Take one or two drinks nearly every day	21.5	21.2	18.5	19.6	22.6	20.3	21.6	21.6	21.6	23.0	24.4	25.1	26.2	27.3	28.5	31.3
Take four or five drinks nearly every day	63.5	61.0	62.9	63.1	66.2	65.7	64.5	65.5	66.8	68.4	69.8	66.5	69.7	68.5	69.8	70.9
Have five or more drinks once or twice each weekend	37.8	37.0	34.7	34.5	34.9	35.9	36.3	36.0	38.6	41.7	43.0	39.1	41.9	42.6	44.0	47.1
Smoke one or more packs of cigarettes per day	51.3	56.4	58.4	59.0	63.0	63.7	63.3	60.5	61.2	63.8	66.5	66.0	68.6	68.0	67.2	68.2
Use electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes) regularly ^g	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Vape marijuana occasionally ^h	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Vape marijuana regularly ^h	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Vape an e-liquid with nicotine occasionally ^g	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Vape an e-liquid with nicotine regularly ^g	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Use JUUL occasionally	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Use JUUL regularly	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Smoke little cigars or cigarillos regularly	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Use smokeless tobacco regularly	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	25.8	30.0	33.2	32.9	34.2
Take steroids	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	63.8	69.9
<i>Approximate weighted N =</i>	2,804	2,918	3,052	3,770	3,250	3,234	3,604	3,557	3,305	3,262	3,250	3,020	3,315	3,276	2,796	2,553

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<i>How much do you think people risk harming themselves (physically or in other ways), if they . . .</i>	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Use marijuana once or twice	27.1	24.5	21.9	19.5	16.3	15.6	14.9	16.7	15.7	13.7	15.3	16.1	16.1	15.9	16.1	17.8
Use marijuana occasionally	40.6	39.6	35.6	30.1	25.6	25.9	24.7	24.4	23.9	23.4	23.5	23.2	26.6	25.4	25.8	25.9
Use marijuana regularly	78.6	76.5	72.5	65.0	60.8	59.9	58.1	58.5	57.4	58.3	57.4	53.0	54.9	54.6	58.0	57.9
Try synthetic marijuana once or twice	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Take synthetic marijuana occasionally	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Try LSD once or twice	46.6	42.3	39.5	38.8	36.4	36.2	34.7	37.4	34.9	34.3	33.2	36.7	36.2	36.2	36.5	36.1
Take LSD regularly	84.3	81.8	79.4	79.1	78.1	77.8	76.6	76.5	76.1	75.9	74.1	73.9	72.3	70.2	69.9	69.3
Try PCP once or twice	51.7	54.8	50.8	51.5	49.1	51.0	48.8	46.8	44.8	45.0	46.2	48.3	45.2	47.1	46.6	47.0
Try ecstasy (MDMA, Molly) once or twice ^b	—	—	—	—	—	—	33.8	34.5	35.0	37.9	45.7	52.2	56.3	57.7	60.1	59.3
Try salvia once or twice ^c	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Take salvia occasionally	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Try cocaine once or twice	59.4	56.8	57.6	57.2	53.7	54.2	53.6	54.6	52.1	51.1	50.7	51.2	51.0	50.7	50.5	52.5
Take cocaine occasionally	75.5	75.1	73.3	73.7	70.8	72.1	72.4	70.1	70.1	69.5	69.9	68.3	69.1	67.2	66.7	69.8
Take cocaine regularly	90.4	90.2	90.1	89.3	87.9	88.3	87.1	86.3	85.8	86.2	84.1	84.5	83.0	82.2	82.8	84.6
Try crack once or twice	60.6	62.4	57.6	58.4	54.6	56.0	54.0	52.2	48.2	48.4	49.4	50.8	47.3	47.8	48.4	47.8
Take crack occasionally	76.5	76.3	73.9	73.8	72.8	71.4	70.3	68.7	67.3	65.8	65.4	65.6	64.0	64.5	63.8	64.8
Take crack regularly	90.1	89.3	87.5	89.6	88.6	88.0	86.2	85.3	85.4	85.3	85.8	84.1	83.2	83.5	83.3	82.8
Try cocaine powder once or twice	53.6	57.1	53.2	55.4	52.0	53.2	51.4	48.5	46.1	47.0	49.0	49.5	46.2	45.4	46.2	45.8
Take cocaine powder occasionally	69.8	70.8	68.6	70.6	69.1	68.8	67.7	65.4	64.2	64.7	63.2	64.4	61.4	61.6	60.8	61.9
Take cocaine powder regularly	88.9	88.4	87.0	88.6	87.8	86.8	86.0	84.1	84.6	85.5	84.4	84.2	82.3	81.7	82.7	82.1
Try heroin once or twice	55.2	50.9	50.7	52.8	50.9	52.5	56.7	57.8	56.0	54.2	55.6	56.0	58.0	56.6	55.2	59.1
Take heroin occasionally	74.9	74.2	72.0	72.1	71.0	74.8	76.3	76.9	77.3	74.6	75.9	76.6	78.5	75.7	76.0	79.1
Take heroin regularly	89.6	89.2	88.3	88.0	87.2	89.5	88.9	89.1	89.9	89.2	88.3	88.5	89.3	86.8	87.5	89.7
Try heroin once or twice without using a needle	—	—	—	—	55.6	58.6	60.5	59.6	58.5	61.6	60.7	60.6	58.9	61.2	60.5	62.6
Take heroin occasionally without using a needle	—	—	—	—	71.2	71.0	74.3	73.4	73.6	74.7	74.4	74.7	73.0	76.1	73.3	76.2
Try any narcotic other than heroin (codeine, Vicodin, OxyContin, Percocet, etc.) once or twice	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Take any narcotic other than heroin occasionally	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Take any narcotic other than heroin regularly	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

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Try amphetamines once or twice ^d	36.3	32.6	31.3	31.4	28.8	30.8	31.0	35.3	32.2	32.6	34.7	34.4	36.8	35.7	37.7	39.5
Take amphetamines regularly ^d	74.1	72.4	69.9	67.0	65.9	66.8	66.0	67.7	66.4	66.3	67.1	64.8	65.6	63.9	67.1	68.1
Try Adderall once or twice ^e	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Try Adderall occasionally ^e	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Try crystal methamphetamine (ice) once or twice	61.6	61.9	57.5	58.3	54.4	55.3	54.4	52.7	51.2	51.3	52.7	53.8	51.2	52.4	54.6	59.1
Try bath salts (synthetic stimulants) once or twice	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Take bath salts (synthetic stimulants) occasionally	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Try sedatives (barbiturates) once or twice ^f	35.1	32.2	29.2	29.9	26.3	29.1	26.9	29.0	26.1	25.0	25.7	26.2	27.9†	24.9	24.7	28.0
Take sedatives (barbiturates) regularly ^f	70.5	70.2	66.1	63.3	61.6	60.4	56.8	56.3	54.1	52.3	50.3	49.3	49.6†	54.0	54.1	56.8
Try one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage (beer, wine, liquor)	9.1	8.6	8.2	7.6	5.9	7.3	6.7	8.0	8.3	6.4	8.7	7.6	8.4	8.6	8.5	9.3
Take one or two drinks nearly every day	32.7	30.6	28.2	27.0	24.8	25.1	24.8	24.3	21.8	21.7	23.4	21.0	20.1	23.0	23.7	25.3
Take four or five drinks nearly every day	69.5	70.5	67.8	66.2	62.8	65.6	63.0	62.1	61.1	59.9	60.7	58.8	57.8	59.2	61.8	63.4
Have five or more drinks once or twice each weekend	48.6	49.0	48.3	46.5	45.2	49.5	43.0	42.8	43.1	42.7	43.6	42.2	43.5	43.6	45.0	47.6
Smoke one or more packs of cigarettes per day	69.4	69.2	69.5	67.6	65.6	68.2	68.7	70.8	70.8	73.1	73.3	74.2	72.1	74.0	76.5	77.6
Use electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes) regularly ^g	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Vape marijuana occasionally ⁱ	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Vape marijuana regularly ⁱ	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Vape an e-liquid with nicotine occasionally ^g	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Vape an e-liquid with nicotine regularly ^g	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Use JUUL occasionally	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Use JUUL regularly	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Smoke little cigars or cigarillos regularly	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Use smokeless tobacco regularly	37.4	35.5	38.9	36.6	33.2	37.4	38.6	40.9	41.1	42.2	45.4	42.6	43.3	45.0	43.6	45.9
Take steroids	65.6	70.7	69.1	66.1	66.4	67.6	67.2	68.1	62.1	57.9	58.9	57.1	55.0	55.7	56.8	60.2
<i>Approximate weighted N =</i>	2,549	2,684	2,759	2,591	2,603	2,449	2,579	2,564	2,306	2,130	2,173	2,198	2,466	2,491	2,512	2,407

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	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019 ^h	2020	2021	2022	2021 – 2022 change
Use marijuana once or twice	18.6	17.4	18.5	17.1	15.6	14.8	14.5	12.5	12.3	12.9	11.9	12.1	10.7	§	10.0*	10.0	0.0
Use marijuana occasionally	27.1	25.8	27.4	24.5	22.7	20.6	19.5	16.4	15.8	17.1	14.1	14.3	13.5	§	12.7*	12.7	+0.1
Use marijuana regularly	54.8	51.7	52.4	46.8	45.7	44.1	39.5	36.1	31.9	31.1	29.0	26.7	30.5	§	21.6*	27.6	+6.0
Try synthetic marijuana once or twice	—	—	—	—	—	23.5	25.9	32.5	33.0	35.6	33.0	30.4	28.4	§	23.0*	20.3	-2.7
Take synthetic marijuana occasionally	—	—	—	—	—	32.7	36.2	39.4	40.9	43.9	40.0	37.1	35.4	§	28.7*	25.3	-3.4
Try LSD once or twice	37.0	33.9	37.1	35.6	34.7	33.1	34.9	35.5	33.2	31.7	30.0	29.0	28.3	§	28.2*	27.4	-0.8
Take LSD regularly	67.3	63.6	67.8	65.3	65.5	66.8	66.8	62.7	60.7	58.2	56.1	55.2	57.9	§	54.7*	60.1	+5.4
Try PCP once or twice	48.0	47.4	49.7	52.4	53.9	51.6	53.9	53.8	54.4	55.1	53.6	51.7	52.6	§	42.9*	44.3	+1.4
Try ecstasy (MDMA, Molly) once or twice ^b	58.1	57.0	53.3	50.6	49.0	49.4	47.5‡	47.8	49.5	48.8	49.1	48.2	46.3	§	40.6*	46.1	+5.5
Try salvia once or twice ^c	—	—	—	39.8	36.7‡	13.8	12.9	14.1	13.1	13.0	10.2	9.8	10.0	§	10.3*	10.4	+0.1
Take salvia occasionally	—	—	—	—	—	23.1	21.3	20.0	17.6	16.3	13.8	12.0	12.7	§	14.3*	15.2	+0.8
Try cocaine once or twice	51.3	50.3	53.1	52.8	54.0	51.6	54.4	53.7	51.1	52.7	49.5	47.9	47.7	§	52.0*	48.1	-3.9
Take cocaine occasionally	68.8	67.1	71.4	67.8	69.7	69.0	70.2	68.1	66.3	68.6	64.6	62.1	64.2	§	60.2*	65.1	+4.9
Take cocaine regularly	83.3	80.7	84.4	81.7	83.8	82.6	83.3	80.6	79.1	78.3	74.9	75.2	74.7	§	72.2*	77.1	+4.9
Try crack once or twice	47.3	47.5	48.4	50.2	51.7	52.0	55.6	54.5	53.6	53.9	51.6	51.3	50.2	—	—	—	—
Take crack occasionally	63.6	65.2	64.7	64.3	66.2	66.5	69.5	68.5	67.8	66.2	65.3	64.4	62.7	—	—	—	—
Take crack regularly	82.6	83.4	84.0	83.8	83.9	84.0	85.4	82.0	81.2	81.9	79.8	79.8	79.0	—	—	—	—
Try cocaine powder once or twice	45.1	45.1	46.5	48.2	48.0	48.1	49.9	49.9	49.0	49.3	45.1	44.9	45.4	—	—	—	—
Take cocaine powder occasionally	59.9	61.6	62.6	62.6	64.2	62.6	65.4	64.8	62.8	62.9	60.1	59.8	59.9	—	—	—	—
Take cocaine powder regularly	81.5	82.5	83.4	81.8	83.3	83.3	83.9	81.5	80.1	80.7	78.8	77.6	77.4	—	—	—	—
Try heroin once or twice	58.4	55.5	59.3	58.3	59.1	59.4	61.7	62.8	64.0	64.5	63.0	61.8	62.6	§	60.9*	59.4	-1.5
Take heroin occasionally	76.2	75.3	79.7	74.8	77.2	78.0	78.2	77.9	78.0	78.7	74.6	75.0	75.7	§	74.4*	75.8	+1.4
Take heroin regularly	87.8	86.4	89.9	85.5	87.9	88.6	87.6	85.7	84.8	85.4	83.3	81.4	81.2	§	82.4*	84.1	+1.6
Try heroin once or twice without using a needle	60.2	60.8	61.5	63.8	61.1	63.3	64.5	65.3	62.5	66.1	64.6	63.1	60.5	§	64.7*	60.0	-4.7
Take heroin occasionally without using a needle	73.9	73.2	74.8	76.2	74.7	76.1	76.4	73.6	71.1	74.6	72.7	69.6	69.4	§	73.8*	69.4	-4.4
Try any narcotic other than heroin (codeine, Vicodin, OxyContin, Percocet, etc.) once or twice	—	—	—	40.4	39.9	38.4	43.1	42.7	44.1	43.6	42.0	43.2	45.0	§	44.0*	42.9	-1.1
Take any narcotic other than heroin occasionally	—	—	—	54.3	54.8	53.8	57.3	59.0	58.5	55.7	55.5	56.7	56.7	§	53.8*	52.9	-1.0
Take any narcotic other than heroin regularly	—	—	—	74.9	75.5	73.9	75.8	72.7	73.9	72.4	70.8	71.6	73.1	§	62.8*	67.4	+4.6

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	Percentage saying great risk ^a															2021 – 2022	
	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019 ^h	2020	2021	2022	change
Try amphetamines once or twice ^d	41.3	39.2	41.9	40.6†	34.8	34.3	36.3	34.1	34.0	31.1	31.9	29.2	29.7	§	38.7*	36.7	-2.1
Take amphetamines regularly ^d	68.1	65.4	69.0	63.6†	58.7	60.0	59.5	55.1	54.3	51.3	50.0	51.1	48.4	§	45.9*	51.5	+5.6
Try Adderall once or twice ^e	—	—	—	33.3	31.2	27.2	31.8	33.6	34.3	32.5	32.0	34.0	34.3	§	30.2*	31.8	+1.6
Try Adderall occasionally ^e	—	—	—	41.6	40.8	35.3	38.8	41.5	41.6	40.9	40.6	40.1	41.8	§	41.7*	39.6	-2.1
Try crystal methamphetamine (ice) once or twice	60.2	62.2	63.4	64.9	66.5	67.8	72.2	70.2	70.0	70.0	69.3	67.1	67.1	§	64.3*	63.5	-0.7
Try bath salts (synthetic stimulants) once or twice	—	—	—	—	—	33.2	59.5	59.2	57.5	54.9	51.3	50.7	—	—	—	—	—
Take bath salts (synthetic stimulants) occasionally	—	—	—	—	—	45.0	69.9	68.8	67.4	64.2	61.5	60.7	—	—	—	—	—
Try sedatives (barbiturates) once or twice ^f	27.9	25.9	29.6	28.0	27.8	27.8	29.4	29.6	28.9	27.4	26.9	26.3	25.2	§	30.9*	34.0	+3.1
Take sedatives (barbiturates) regularly ^f	55.1	50.2	54.7	52.1	52.4	53.9	53.3	50.5	50.6	47.0	44.0	45.1	45.0	§	49.6*	53.7	+4.1
Try one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage (beer, wine, liquor)	10.5	10.0	9.4	10.8	9.4	8.7	9.9	8.6	10.3	9.5	9.3	10.2	9.7	§	9.7*	10.0	+0.2
Take one or two drinks nearly every day	25.1	24.2	23.7	25.4	24.6	23.7	23.1	21.1	21.5	21.6	21.6	22.8	21.0	§	21.9*	23.3	+1.4
Take four or five drinks nearly every day	61.8	60.8	62.4	61.1	62.3	63.6	62.4	61.2	59.1	59.1	58.7	59.1	59.7	§	64.3*	66.6	+2.3
Have five or more drinks once or twice each weekend	45.8	46.3	48.0	46.3	47.6	48.8	45.8	45.4	46.9	48.4	45.7	44.7	46.4	§	34.4*	34.9	+0.5
Smoke one or more packs of cigarettes per day	77.3	74.0	74.9	75.0	77.7	78.2	78.2	78.0	75.9	76.5	74.9	73.9	75.6	§	66.0*	71.6	+5.6
Use electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes) regularly ^g	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14.2	16.2	18.2	16.1	18.0	—	—	—	—	—
Vape marijuana occasionally ⁱ	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	§	16.0*	19.8	+3.7 s
Vape marijuana regularly ⁱ	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	§	30.9*	35.9	+5.0 s
Vape an e-liquid with nicotine occasionally ^g	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	16.4	15.8	17.7	§	22.7*	25.3	+2.6
Vape an e-liquid with nicotine regularly ^g	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	27.0	27.7	35.2	§	43.7*	45.2	+1.6
Use JUUL occasionally	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	16.8	§	18.4*	—	—
Use JUUL regularly	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	32.9	§	37.1*	—	—
Smoke little cigars or cigarillos regularly	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	38.3	39.7	39.5	38.2	42.5	41.3	—	—	—	—
Use smokeless tobacco regularly	44.0	42.9	40.8	41.2	42.6	44.3	41.6	40.7	38.5	38.1	38.4	40.2	39.9	—	—	—	—
Take steroids	57.4	60.8	60.2	59.2	61.1	58.6	54.2	54.6	54.4	54.5	49.1	50.1	50.8	§	45.8*	48.6	+2.7
<i>Approximate weighted N =</i>	2,450	2,389	2,290	2,440	2,408	2,331	2,098	2,067	2,174	1,988	1,919	1,976	891	§	580	1,333	

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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 that the question changed the following year. 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.

§Estimates not presented due to insufficient data this year.

*Results may not be comparable to previous years. In 2021 MTF conducted survey administrations via the internet for the first time, and responses, especially on attitudes, can be sensitive to mode effects.

^aAnswer alternatives were: (1) No risk, (2) Slight risk, (3) Moderate risk, (4) Great risk, and (5) Can't say, drug unfamiliar.

^bBeginning in 2014 data are based on the revised question which included "Molly." 2014 and 2015 data are not comparable to earlier years due to the revision of the question text.

^cIn 2011 the question on perceived risk of using salvia once or twice appeared at the end of a form. In 2012 the question was moved to an earlier section of the same form. A question on perceived risk of using salvia occasionally was also added following the question on perceived risk of trying salvia once or twice. These changes likely explain the discontinuity in the 2012 results.

^dIn 2011 the list of examples was changed from uppers, pep pills, bennies, speed to uppers, speed, Adderall, Ritalin, etc. These changes likely explain the discontinuity in the 2011 results.

^eIn 2014 "(without a doctor's orders)" added to the questions on perceived risk of using Adderall.

^fIn 2004 the question text was changed from barbiturates to sedatives/barbiturates and the list of examples was changed from downers, goofballs, reds, yellows, etc. to just downers. These changes likely explain the discontinuity in the 2004 results.

^gBased on two of six forms in 2017 and 2018; N is two times the N indicated. Beginning in 2019, data based on three of six forms; N is three times the N indicated.

^hThe N for 2019 is approximately one-half of that for the full sample, because it is based on the half-sample who received the traditional paper and pencil questionnaire form.

ⁱBased on two of six forms; N is two times the N indicated.