

Table 2b. Prevalence of illicit drug¹ use (lifetime) among youth by demographics, New York City², 2013

Source: NYC Youth Risk Behavior Survey, 2013

Variables	2013														
	Any illicit drug (lifetime)			Cocaine (lifetime)			Heroin (lifetime)			Methamphetamines (lifetime)			Ecstasy (lifetime)		
	%	95% C.I.	P-value	%	95% C.I.	P-value	%	95% C.I.	P-value	%	95% C.I.	P-value	%	95% C.I.	P-value
Total	8.0	(6.8-9.3)	~	4.7	(3.8-5.6)	~	2.8	(2.1-3.6)	~	3.4	(2.7-4.2)	~	4.8	(4.1-5.5)	~
Gender															
Male	10.2	(8.5-12.3)	<0.001	6.2	(5.0-7.6)	<0.001	3.9	(2.9-5.2)	<0.001	4.7	(3.7-5.9)	<0.001	5.9	(4.8-7.2)	0.002
Female	5.3	(4.3-6.6)	Referent	2.9	(2.3-3.6)	Referent	1.4	(1.0-2.1)	Referent	1.8	(1.3-2.5)	Referent	3.3	(2.5-4.4)	Referent
Grade															
9	6.6	(5.2-8.4)	0.025	3.9	(2.7-5.6)	0.281	2.7	(1.8-4.0)	0.777	3.3	(2.2-4.8)	0.742	3.3	(2.5-4.4)	<0.001
10	7.6	(5.4-10.4)	0.175	4.5U	(3.3-6.2)	0.679	3.1	(2.2-4.4)	0.361	3.4	(2.5-4.6)	0.601	4.6	(3.2-6.4)	0.063
11	6.9	(5.6-8.6)	0.025	4.4	(3.3-5.9)	0.581	2.0	(1.2-3.5)	0.382	2.7	(1.7-4.2)	0.634	3.8	(2.8-5.0)	0.002
12	9.8	(7.7-12.4)	Referent	5.0	(3.6-7.0)	Referent	2.5U	(1.9-3.4)	Referent	3.0	(2.1-4.4)	Referent	6.8	(5.3-8.5)	Referent
Race/Ethnicity															
White Non-Hispanic	10.0	(7.5-13.3)	Referent	5.9	(3.8-9.2)	Referent	2.9	(2.0-4.0)	Referent	3.2	(2.4-4.4)	Referent	6.1	(4.3-8.6)	Referent
Black Non-Hispanic	5.9	(4.2-8.2)	0.023	2.5D	(1.6-3.7)	0.016	2.2	(1.4-3.4)	0.352	2.5U	(1.7-3.8)	0.364	3.3	(2.3-4.8)	0.048
Hispanic	9.1	(7.7-10.7)	0.497	5.9	(4.9-7.3)	0.986	3.2	(2.3-4.4)	0.693	3.6	(2.6-5.1)	0.601	5.3	(4.4-6.5)	0.428
Asian	5.4	(3.6-7.9)	0.010	3.0	(1.7-5.0)	0.088	1.5U*	(0.8-2.9)	0.064	2.4*	(1.3-4.4)	0.376	3.3	(2.0-5.3)	0.031
Other ³	11.1	(7.1-16.7)	0.711	6.1	(3.4-10.8)	0.935	6.0	(3.5-10.2)	0.060	5.4	(3.0-9.7)	0.198	7.7	(4.7-12.5)	0.472
Borough of Residence															
Bronx	7.3	(6.0-8.9)	0.002	4.4	(3.1-6.2)	0.004	3.2	(2.3-4.4)	0.023	3.6	(2.6-5.1)	0.011	4.1	(2.9-5.6)	0.001
Brooklyn	7.0	(4.6-10.4)	0.001	4.0	(2.7-5.9)	<0.001	2.2*	(1.1-4.2)	<0.001	3.2	(2.0-5.1)	0.001	3.8	(2.5-5.6)	<0.001
Manhattan	11.0	(7.3-16.4)	0.506	7.0	(4.3-11.3)	0.447	3.6	(2.4-5.4)	0.058	3.3	(2.1-5.2)	0.013	6.5D	(4.3-9.6)	0.156
Queens	7.0	(5.7-8.6)	<0.001	3.7	(2.9-4.8)	<0.001	1.7	(1.0-2.8)	<0.001	2.3	(1.5-3.6)	<0.001	4.5	(3.5-5.9)	0.001
Staten Island	12.8	(10.1-16.1)	Referent	8.7	(6.5-11.7)	Referent	6.2	(4.2-9.0)	Referent	6.8	(4.9-9.5)	Referent	9.3	(7.0-12.3)	Referent
Borough of School															
Bronx	8.7	(7.5-10.1)	0.070	5.2	(3.7-7.4)	0.363	4.1	(2.8-6.1)	0.632	4.3	(2.9-6.4)	0.336	5.1	(3.8-6.7)	0.040
Brooklyn	7.7	(4.6-12.4)	0.115	4.2	(2.4-7.5)	0.154	2.4*	(1.1-5.2)	0.071	3.6	(2.1-6.2)	0.156	4.5D	(2.9-6.9)	0.028
Manhattan	7.4	(5.1-10.6)	0.038	4.5D	(2.9-7.0)	0.160	1.4*	(0.8-2.5)	<0.001	1.2*	(0.6-2.3)	<0.001	4.7	(3.5-6.3)	0.020
Queens	7.4	(6.1-8.9)	0.008	4.4	(3.6-5.4)	0.044	2.7	(1.8-4.1)	0.047	3.7	(2.6-5.2)	0.102	4.2	(3.3-5.2)	0.003
Staten Island	11.3	(9.0-14.2)	Referent	6.4	(4.9-8.3)	Referent	4.7	(3.3-6.5)	Referent	5.5D	(4.0-7.4)	Referent	7.6	(5.8-9.9)	Referent

¹ Any illicit drug: Cocaine, Heroin, Methamphetamines, or Ecstasy use

² NYC YRBS is administered to public schools only.

³ Other category includes non-Hispanic students who selected American Indian/Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian/other Pacific Islander, or multiple race categories.

D Data rounded down to the nearest whole number for the purposes of reporting in the text.

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* Estimate should be interpreted with caution. Estimate's Relative Standard Error (a measure of estimate precision) is greater than 30%, the 95% Confidence Interval half-width is greater than 10, or the sample size is less than 50, making the estimate potentially unreliable.

C.I. = Confidence interval

95% confidence intervals are a measure of estimate precision. The wider the interval, the more imprecise the estimate.

A p-value is a measure of statistical significance. A bold p-value less than .05 means there is a significant difference between that group and the referent (comparison) group.

