Heavy Alcohol Use Appears to Be Higher in College Students than Non-College Peers

Binge Drinking

Five or more drinks in a row

Past 2 Weeks

1996
College: 32.4%
Non-College: 28.7%

2006
College: 28.7%
Non-College: 25.2%

2016
College: 28.8%
Non-College: 22.4%

Intoxication

Having been drunk in the past month

1996
College: 40.8%
Non-College: 30.4%

2006
College: 37.7%
Non-College: 28.3%

2016
College: 37.3%
Non-College: 31.0%

Nicotine Use is Generally Lower in College Students

Cigarettes

Past-Week Use

College: 8.3%
Non-College: 10.3%

Past-Month Use

College: 14.1%
Non-College: 22.2%

Hookah

Past-Year Use

College: 16.9%
Non-College: 27.9%

Trend

2011: 19.8%
2012: 14.3%

E-Vaporizers*

Past-Month Use

College: 6.0%
Non-College: 9.0%

Adderall

Past-Year Use

College: 2.4%
Non-College: 1.6%

Ritalin

Past-Year Use

College: 2.6%
Non-College: 1.6%

*Includes nicotine but may also include other drugs or no drugs at all (i.e., flavoring only)

Marijuana Use Among Full-Time College Students and Non-College Peers Remains a Concern

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Daily marijuana use is at the highest level since the early 1990s for this age group.

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