

Table 17. Drug Use Population Estimates for 1998 (in Thousands)

Drug	Whites			Blacks		
	Ever Used	Past Year	Past Month	Ever Used	Past Year	Past Month
Any Illicit Drug	61,826	16,894	9,857	8,214	3,219	2,038
Cocaine	18,530	2,749	1,119	2,094	463	313
Crack	2,870	462	147	1,040	324	214
Marijuana	57,522	13,686	8,073	7,494	2,628	1,627

Source: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, *National Household Survey on Drug Use, Population Estimates 1998* (U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 1999).

Table 18. Comparison of Drug Use and Arrests by Race

Year	Black		White	
	Percent of Current Drug users	Percent of Drug Arrests	Percent of Current Drug Users	Percent of Drug Arrests
1979	10.8%	21.8%	87.8%	76.7%
1985	12.4%	30%	86.6%	68.9%
1991	15.3%	41%	83.9%	58.1%
1992	11.9%	39.6%	87.1%	59.4%
1993	12.1%	39.3%	87%	59.8%
1994	15%	0	84%	60.6%
1995	16.2%	36.9%	82.7%	62.1%
1996	15.4%	38.4%	83.5%	60.4%
1997	14.9%	36.8%	83.9%	62%
1998	16.9%	37.3%	82%	61.5%

Source: Compiled from Federal Bureau of Investigation, *Uniform Crime Reports*, various years, and Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, *Summary of Findings from the 1998 National Household Survey on Drug Abuse* (U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 1999).