


National Household Survey Report:

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Objectives of Survey

- u Prevalence and frequency of legal and illegal drug use
- u Characteristics of drug use:
 - u Gender
 - u Mean age
 - u Marital status
 - u Working status
- u Perception of risks of drug use
- u Problems associated with drinking alcohol
- u Accessibility of drugs
- u Recommendations for programming

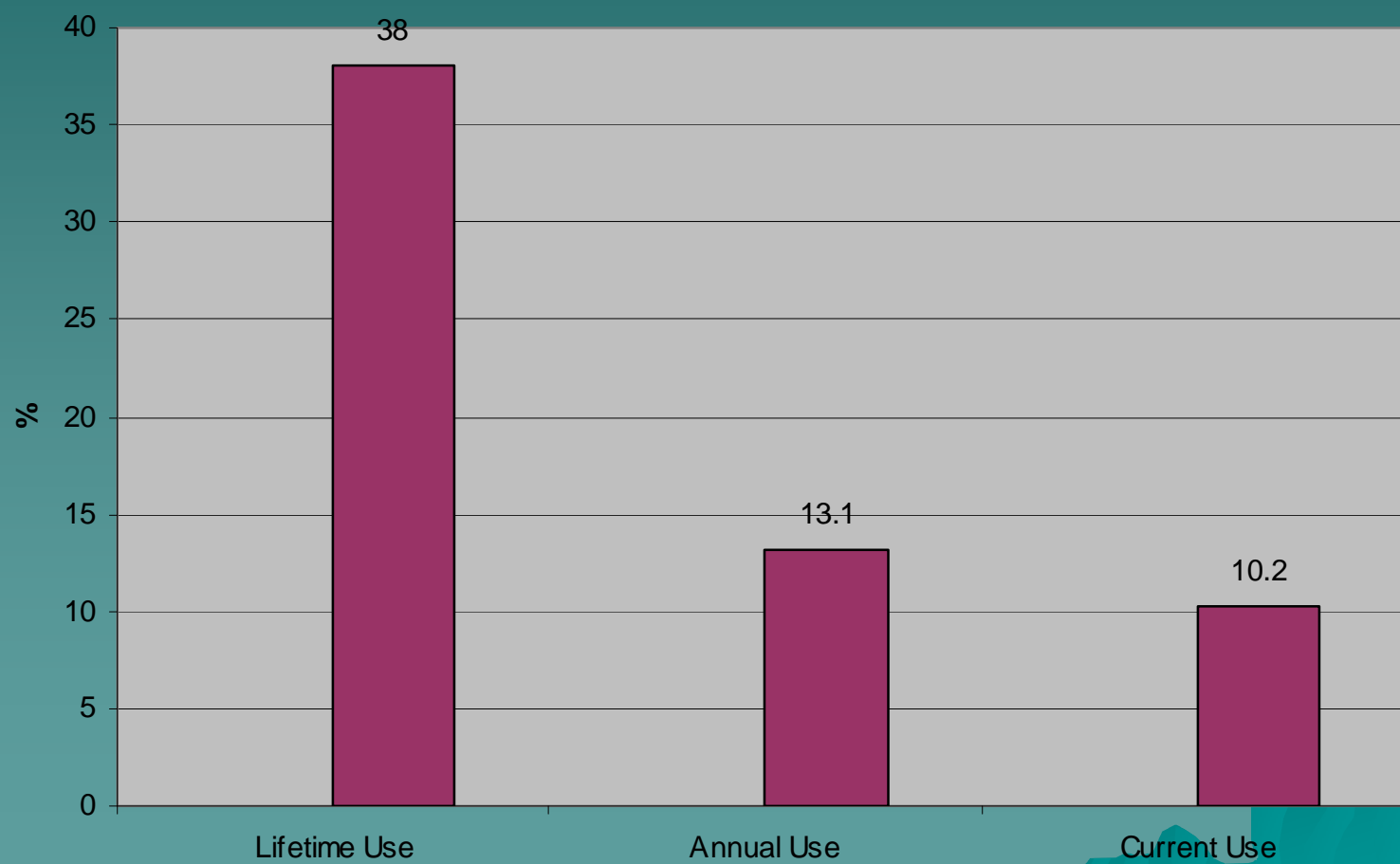
Methodology

- u The questionnaire used was the standardized household survey instrument from the Inter-American Uniform Drug Use Data System (SIDUC).
- u The survey employed a three(3) stage sample design. In the first stage enumeration districts (EDs) were selected.
- u Households were selected in the second stage.
- u Respondents were selected at random from each household in the third stage
- u A sample of around 2,000 households, representing about 2% of the non-institutional civilian population was targeted.

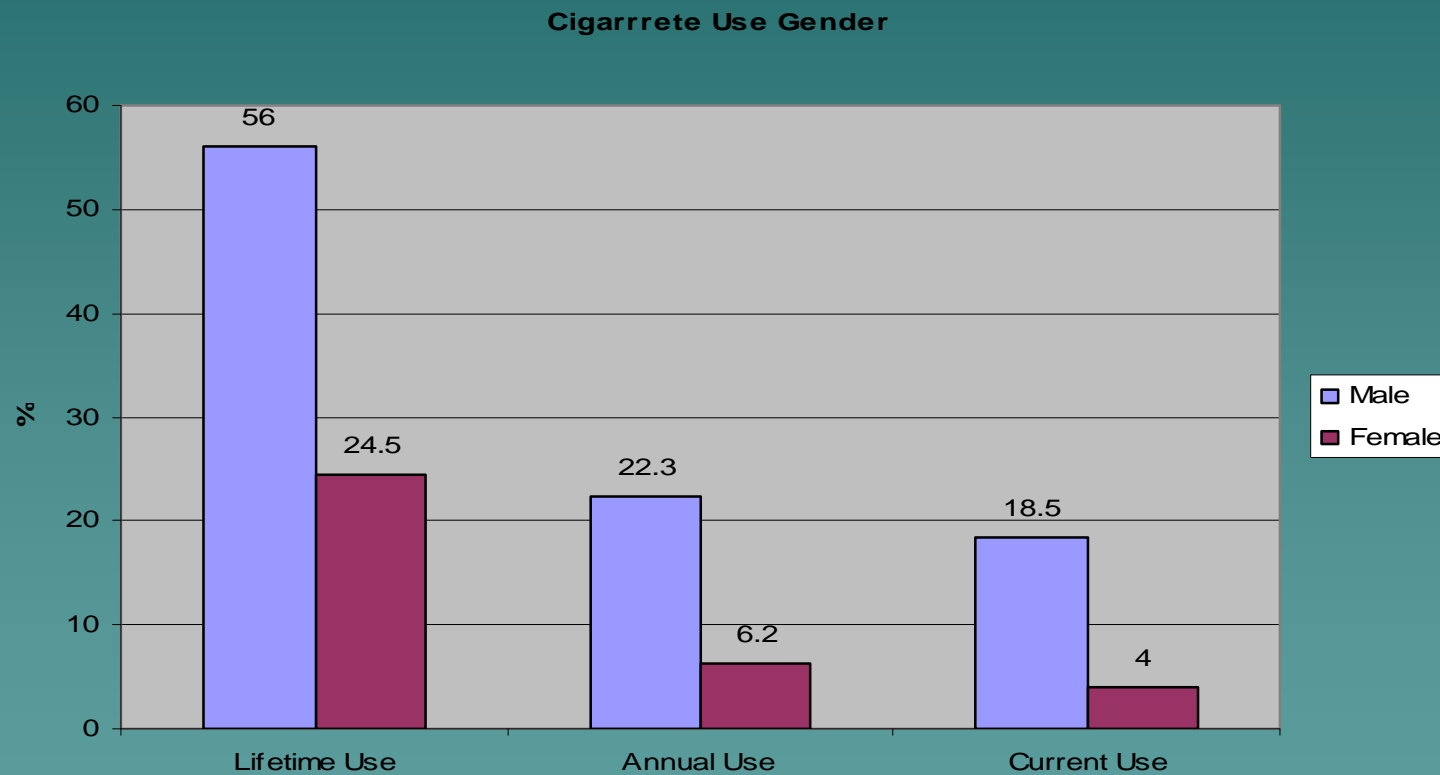
Indicators

- u Lifetime prevalence: percentage of targeted population that had used drugs at least once in their lifetime
- u Annual prevalence: percentage of population that had used drugs one or more times in the 12 months preceding the survey
- u Recent prevalence: percentage of population that had used drugs one or more times in the 30 days immediately preceding the survey

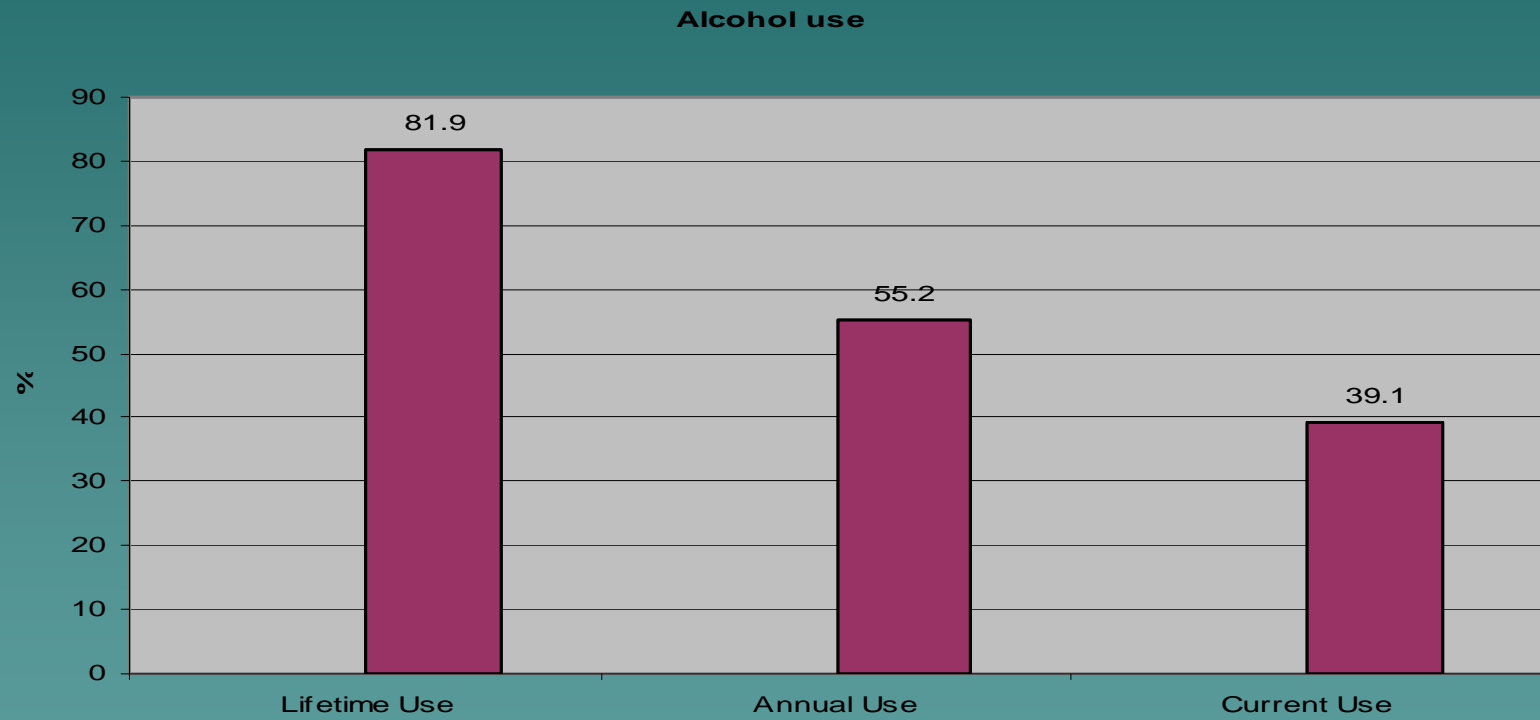
Prevalence cigarette use



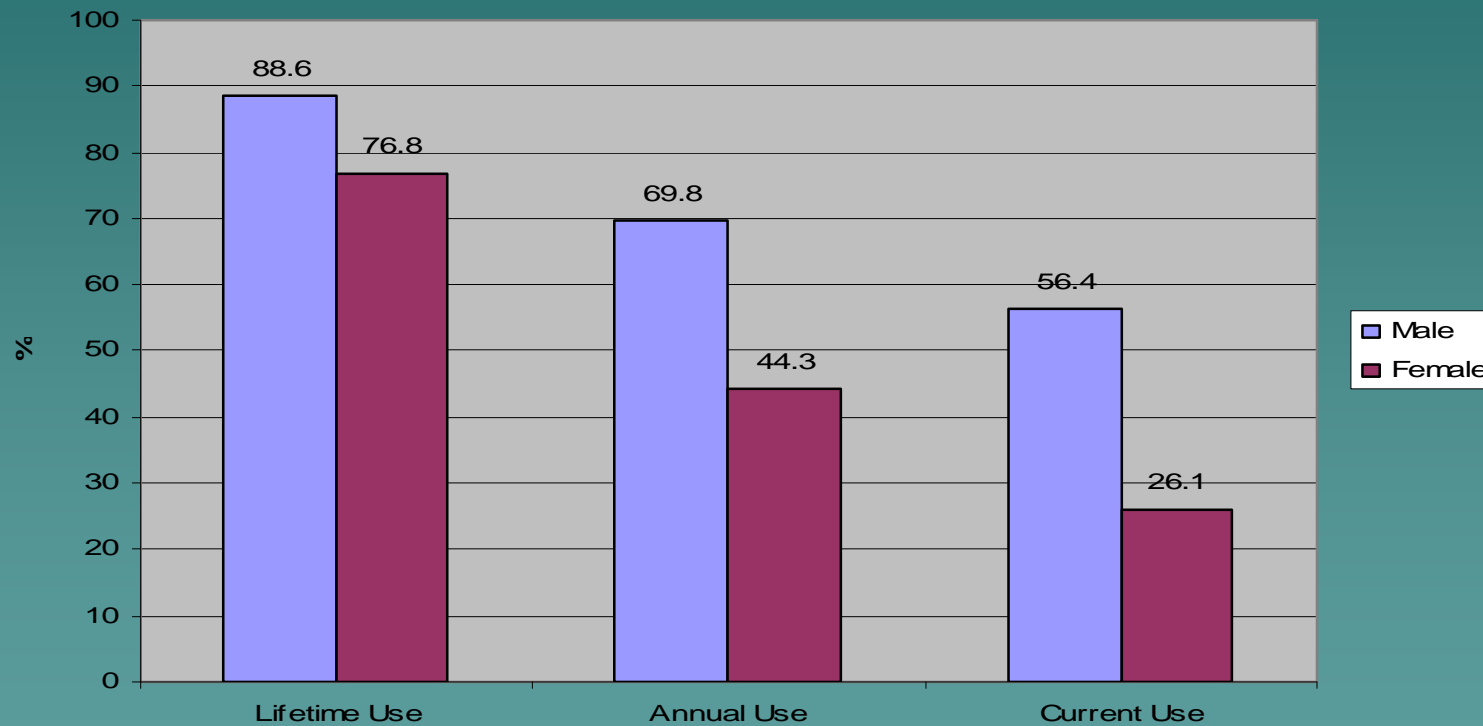
Cigarette use Gender



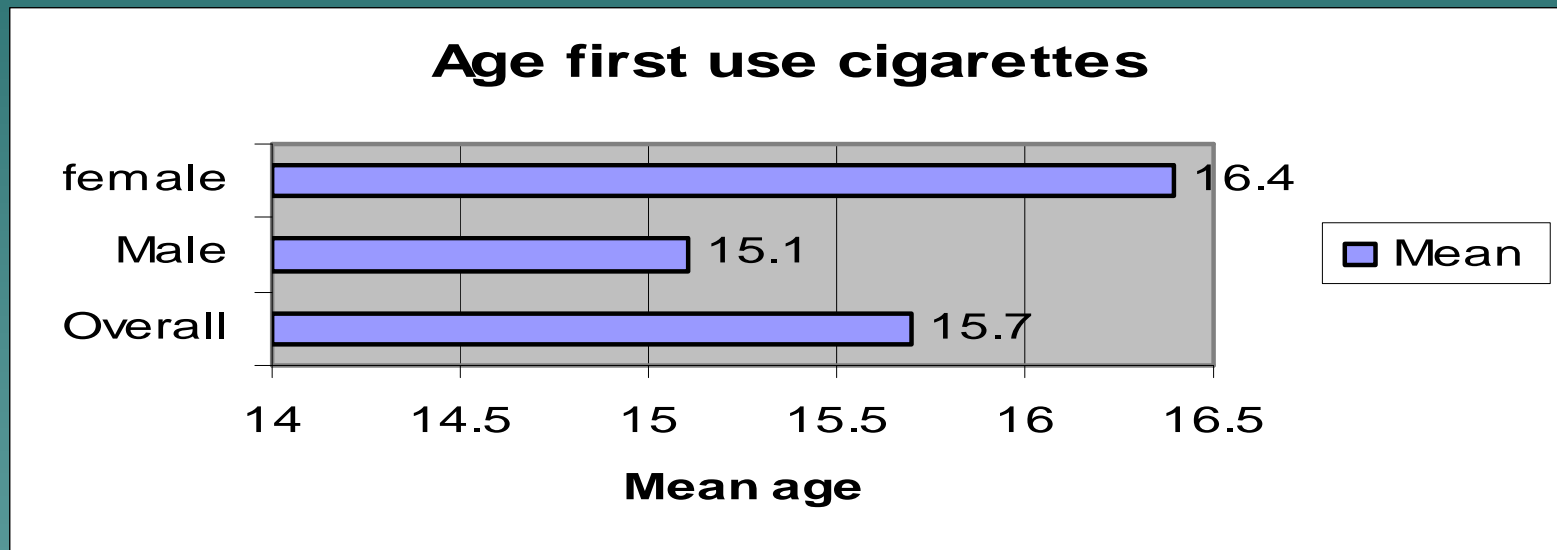
Alcohol use



Alcohol use by Gender

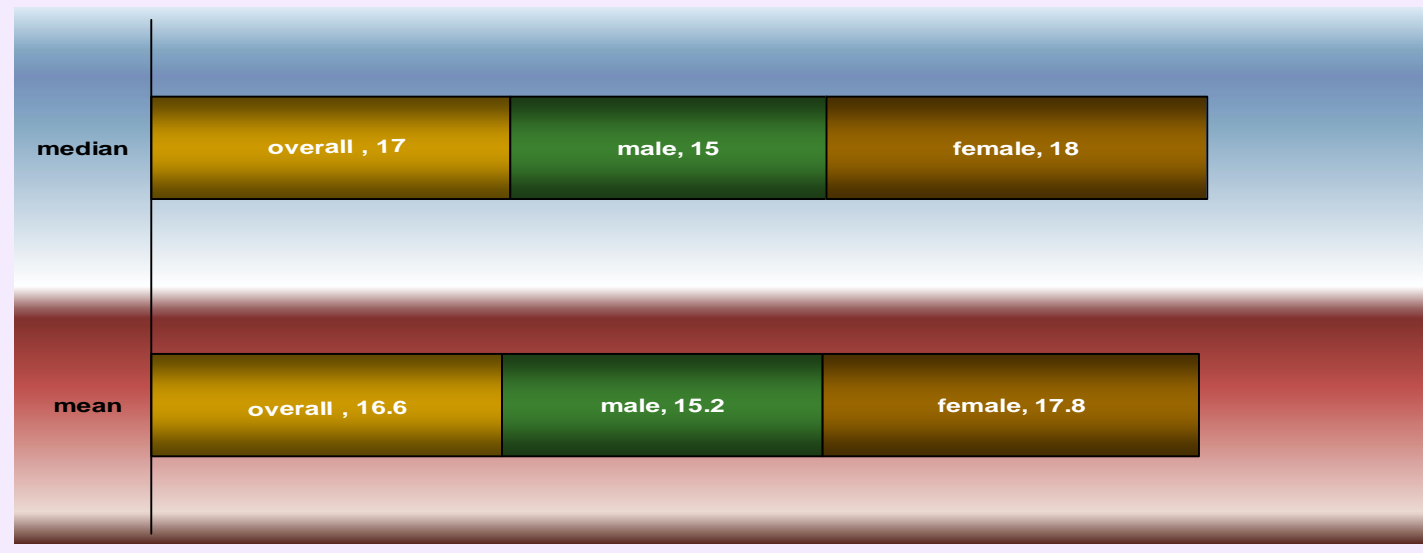


Mean age cigarette use



Age of first use Alcohol

Age of first use (yrs) for alcohol



Relationship of Current Smoking and Drinking to Marital and Work Status

Work Status	Current smokers	Current drinkers
Working/Self-employed	66.5	70.5
Working and studying	6.1	6.5
Unemployed	9.7	7.0
Not working, student	3.4	4.2
Housewife	2.5	2.2
Not working (retired, of independent means)	6.7	5.6
Not working (other, specify)	3.4	1.5
Marital Status		
Married	16.3	25.4
Divorced	5.3	5.3
Separated	6.6	3.7
Widowed	2.3	1.8
Living together	10.3	7.8
Single	58.5	55.1

Prevalence: Illegal Drug Use

Drugs	Lifetime	ANNUAL	CURRENT
Tranquilizers	1	0.4	0.4
Stimulants	0.5	0.2	0.1
Inhalants	1.2	0.8	0.6
Marijuana	16.3	8.3	6.6
Coca paste	0.1	-	-
Cocaine powder	1.1	0.4	0.2
Heroin	0.1	*	*
Opium	0.3	*	*
Morphine	0.5	*	*
Hallucinogens	0.2	*	*
Hashish	1	*	*
Crack cocaine	0.1	*	*
Ecstasy	0.9	0.5	0.2
Other drugs	3.3	2	1.4

Frequency : Illegal Drug Use

	Frequency of Use				
	Only once	Past 12 months	During the month	During the week	Daily
Inhalants	3.9	36.6	47.2	8.3	3.9
Marijuana	5.3	18.2	13.4	29.2	32.1
Cocaine powder	17.7	28.1	20.0	34.3	-
Ecstasy	35.4	45.2	13.7	5.7	-
Other drugs	-	30.9	17.1	14.2	34.4

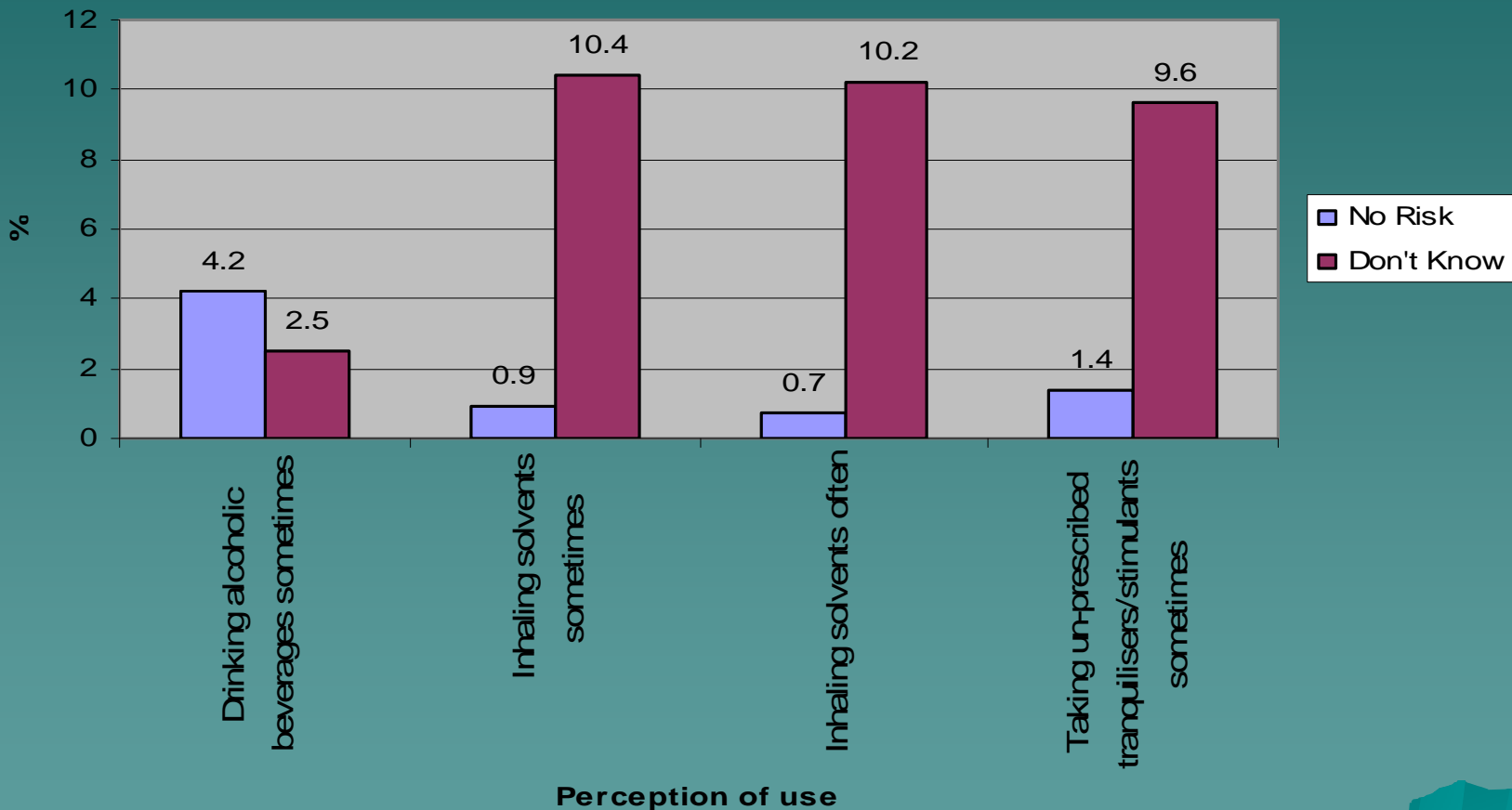
Marijuana use Gender/Age

	Lifetime	Annual	Recent
Overall	16.6	8.3	6.6
Gender			
Male	27.5	14.8	12.9
Female	7.8	3.5	2.0
Age			
< 20 yrs	12.1	10.0	6.7
20-29	26.4	16.9	13.6
30-39	17.4	9.3	8.5
40-49	15.1	5.5	3.5
50 -59	12.3	3.4	3.1
60 +	6.9	2.1	1.6

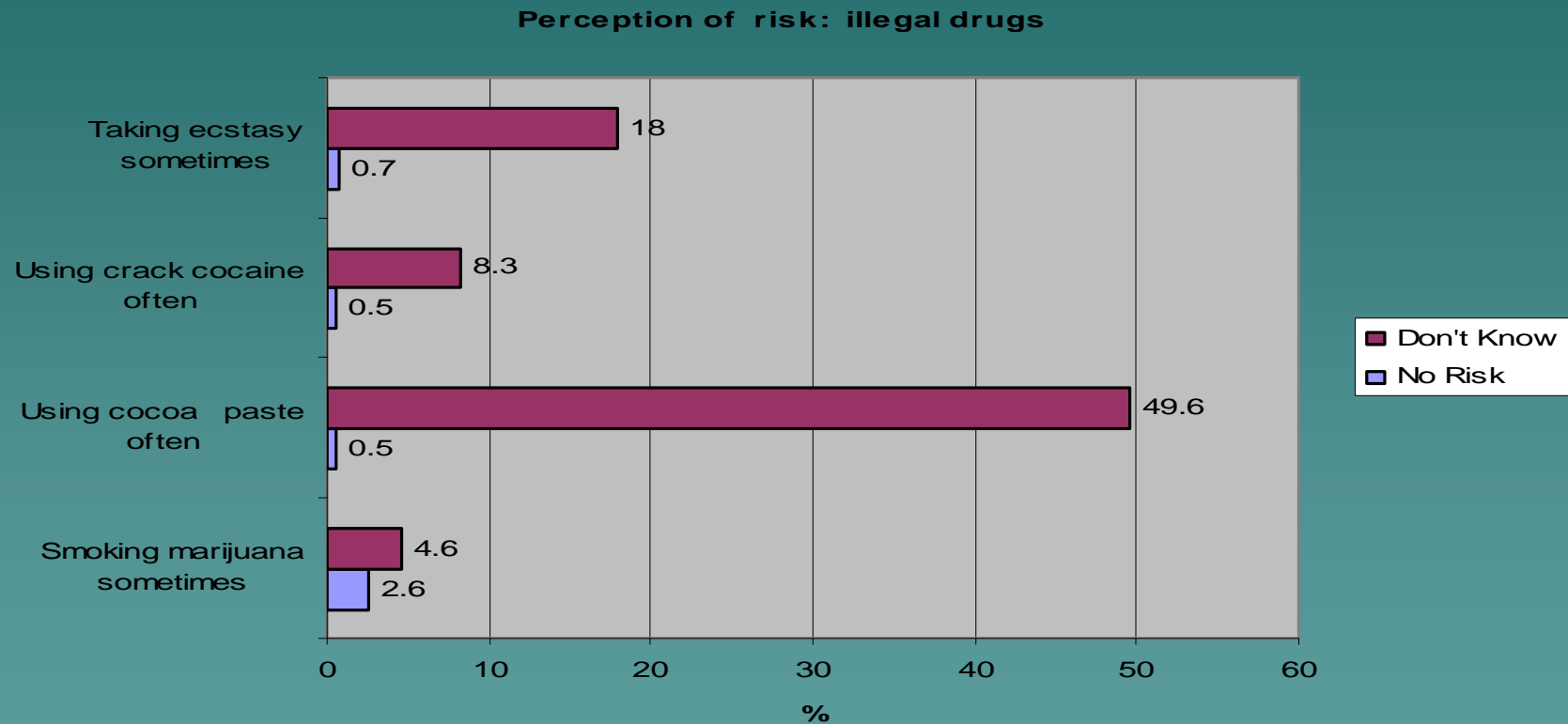
Marijuana prevalence: subgroups

Work Status	Lifetime	Annual	Recent
Working/Self-employed	18.2	8.4	7.1
Working and studying	14.5	8.5	6.4
Unemployed	17.4	13.5	9.7
Not working, student	11.4	6.8	5.0
Housewife	4.8	2.0	1.0
Not working (retired)	9.9	2.5	1.8
Not working (other, specify)	18.9	11.4	8.2

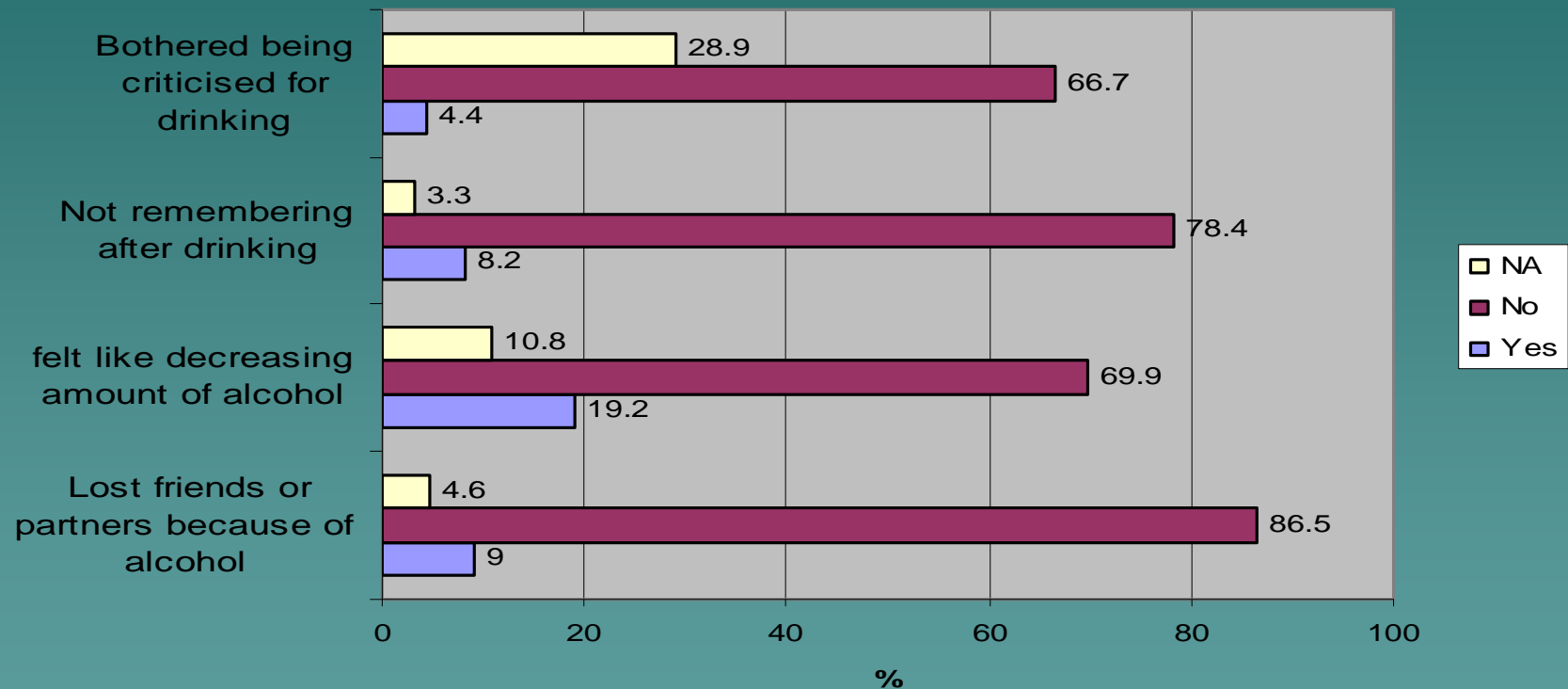
Perception of risk: legal drugs



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Problem drinking: Overall



Access to Drugs

Drugs	Easy	Difficult	Could not access	Don't know
Marijuana	57.0	7.2	6.2	29.3
Cocaine	28.0	15.9	8.9	46.7
Coca paste	4.0	9.3	9.9	75.7
Ecstasy	13.6	15.9	10.0	60.0
Crack cocaine	20.8	15.6	8.8	54.3

Recommendations for programme Planning

- u Encourage sociability through other means than drinking alcoholic beverages
- u Illustrate the deleterious affects of alcohol abuse on physical health
- u Emphasise the harmful consequences of alcohol, tobacco and other substance use on health; and
- u Reinforce the illegality of marijuana use and negative emotional and physical health consequences of using marijuana

THANK YOU

