

Table 2.87

High school seniors favoring prohibition of drug use, alcohol use, and cigarette smoking

By type of drug and place of use, United States, 1975-2003

Question: "Do you think that people (who are 18 or older) should be prohibited by law from doing each of the following?"

(Percent responding "yes"^a)

Class of	Smoke marijuana		Take LSD		Take heroin		Take amphetamines or barbiturates		Get drunk		Smoke cigarettes in certain specified public places
	In private	In public places	In private	In public places	In private	In public places	In private	In public places	In private	In public places	
1975 ^b	32.8%	63.1%	67.2%	85.8%	76.3%	90.1%	57.2%	79.6%	14.1%	55.7%	NA
1976	27.5	59.1	65.1	81.9	72.4	84.8	53.5	76.1	15.6	50.7	NA
1977	26.8	58.7	63.3	79.3	69.2	81.0	52.8	73.7	18.6	49.0	42.0%
1978	25.4	59.5	62.7	80.7	68.8	82.5	52.2	75.8	17.4	50.3	42.2
1979	28.0	61.8	62.4	81.5	68.5	84.0	53.4	77.3	16.8	50.4	43.1
1980	28.9	66.1	65.8	82.8	70.3	83.8	54.1	76.1	16.7	48.3	42.8
1981	35.4	67.4	62.6	80.7	68.8	82.4	52.0	74.2	19.6	49.1	43.0
1982	36.6	72.8	67.1	82.1	69.3	82.5	53.5	75.5	19.4	50.7	42.0
1983	37.8	73.6	66.7	82.8	69.7	83.7	52.8	76.7	19.9	52.2	40.5
1984	41.6	75.2	67.9	82.4	69.8	83.4	54.4	76.8	19.7	51.1	39.2
1985	44.7	78.2	70.6	84.8	73.3	85.8	56.3	78.3	19.8	53.1	42.8
1986	43.8	78.9	69.0	84.9	71.7	85.0	56.8	79.1	18.5	52.2	45.1
1987	47.6	79.7	70.8	85.2	75.0	86.2	59.1	79.8	18.6	53.2	44.4
1988	51.8	81.3	71.5	86.0	74.2	86.6	60.2	80.2	19.2	53.8	48.4
1989	51.5	80.0	71.6	84.4	74.4	85.2	61.1	79.2	20.2	52.6	44.5
1990	56.0	81.9	72.9	84.9	76.4	86.7	64.5	81.6	23.0	54.6	47.3
1991	51.6	79.8	68.1	83.9	72.8	85.4	59.7	79.7	22.0	54.3	44.9
1992	52.4	78.3	67.2	82.2	71.4	83.3	60.5	78.5	24.4	54.1	47.6
1993	48.0	77.3	63.5	82.1	70.7	84.5	57.4	78.0	22.1	53.6	45.9
1994	42.9	72.5	63.2	80.5	70.1	82.9	55.7	76.4	21.0	54.3	47.3
1995	44.0	72.9	64.3	81.5	72.2	84.8	57.5	77.6	21.6	54.5	45.1
1996	40.4	70.0	62.0	79.2	70.8	82.3	54.6	74.3	21.4	52.8	43.4
1997	38.8	69.4	61.2	80.3	70.6	84.3	54.6	76.5	20.5	51.7	41.3
1998	39.8	72.2	64.7	82.7	73.9	86.4	58.5	77.4	20.2	51.2	41.1
1999	39.3	71.5	62.6	80.4	72.9	84.2	55.1	76.1	20.5	52.8	43.2
2000	38.8	72.1	62.9	80.4	71.1	83.9	56.0	75.4	21.5	51.9	45.1
2001	39.1	68.3	63.1	78.8	70.6	81.7	55.9	74.5	22.6	50.6	44.2
2002	38.4	67.6	64.2	79.9	73.6	83.7	56.0	73.6	21.0	48.6	43.8
2003	40.3	68.6	64.2	79.1	73.1	83.2	55.8	74.4	21.4	50.1	45.5

Note: See Note, table 2.79. Sample sizes vary from year to year. The Ns for the years presented range from 2,146 to 3,783; for the class of 2003, the N is 2,450. For survey methodology and definitions of terms, see Appendix 6.

Source: Lloyd D. Johnston et al., *Monitoring the Future National Survey Results on Drug Use, 1975-2003*, Vol. 1, Secondary School Students (Bethesda, MD: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 2004), p. 319. Table adapted by SOURCEBOOK staff.

^aAnswer alternatives were: (1) no, (2) not sure, and (3) yes.

^bThe 1975 question asked about people who are "20 or older."