

# MONITORING THE FUTURE 2015

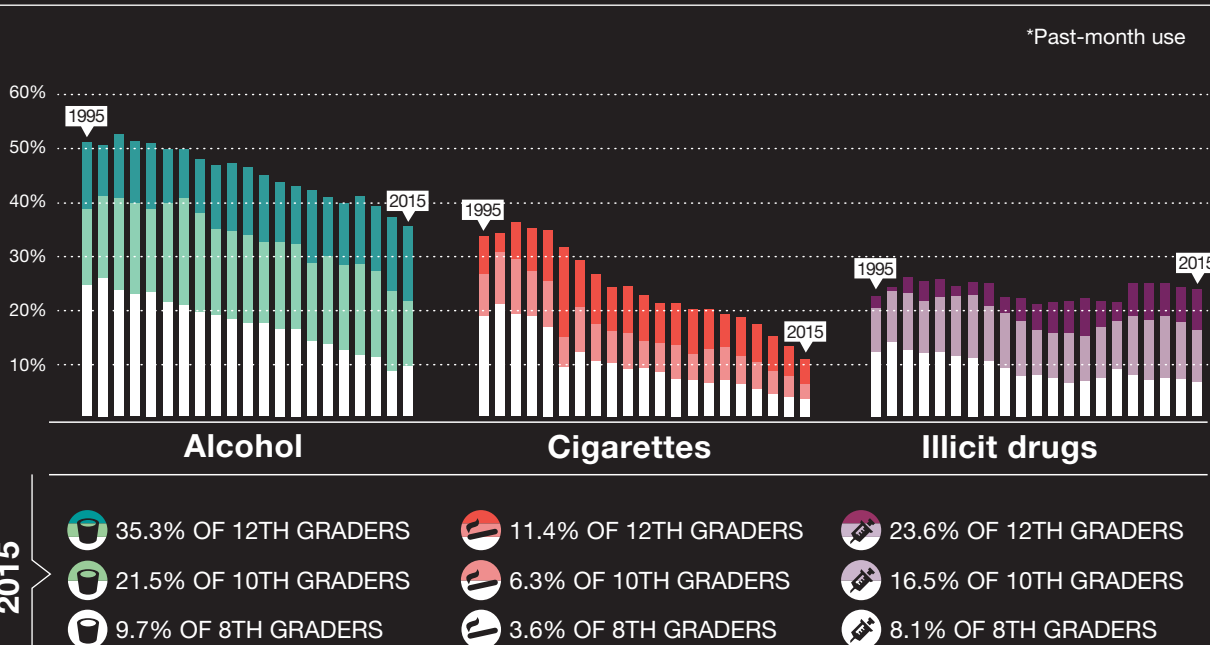
## TEEN DRUG USE

COCAINE  
BARRITURATES  
OXYCONTIN  
PRESCRIPTIONS  
VICODIN  
SEDATIVES  
e-cigarettes  
CRACK K2/SPICE  
HEROIN  
RITALIN Steroids  
ALCOHOL  
SYNTHETICS  
SALVIA  
INHALANTS  
ADDERALL  
CIGARETTES  
HOOKAHS  
"BATH SALTS"  
METHAMPHETAMINE  
ECSTASY  
MARIJUANA  
COLD MEDICINES

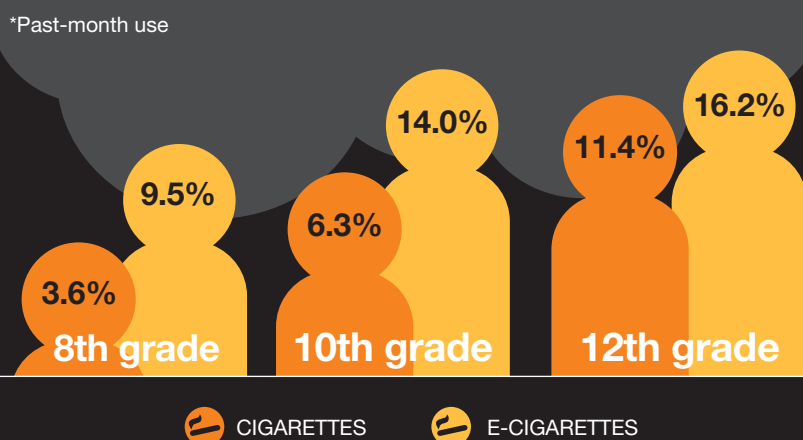
Monitoring the Future is an annual survey of 8th, 10th, and 12th graders conducted by researchers at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, under a grant from the National Institute on Drug Abuse, part of the National Institutes of Health. Since 1975, the survey has measured drug, alcohol, and cigarette use and related attitudes in 12th graders nationwide. Eighth and 10th graders were added to the survey in 1991.

Overall, 44,892 students from 382 public and private schools participated in the 2015 survey.

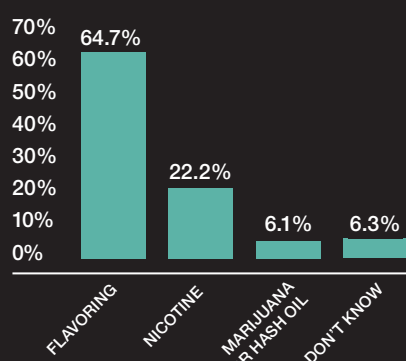
### LAST TWO DECADES OF ALCOHOL, CIGARETTE, AND ILLICIT DRUG USE\*



### TEENS ARE MORE LIKELY TO USE E-CIGARETTES THAN CIGARETTES

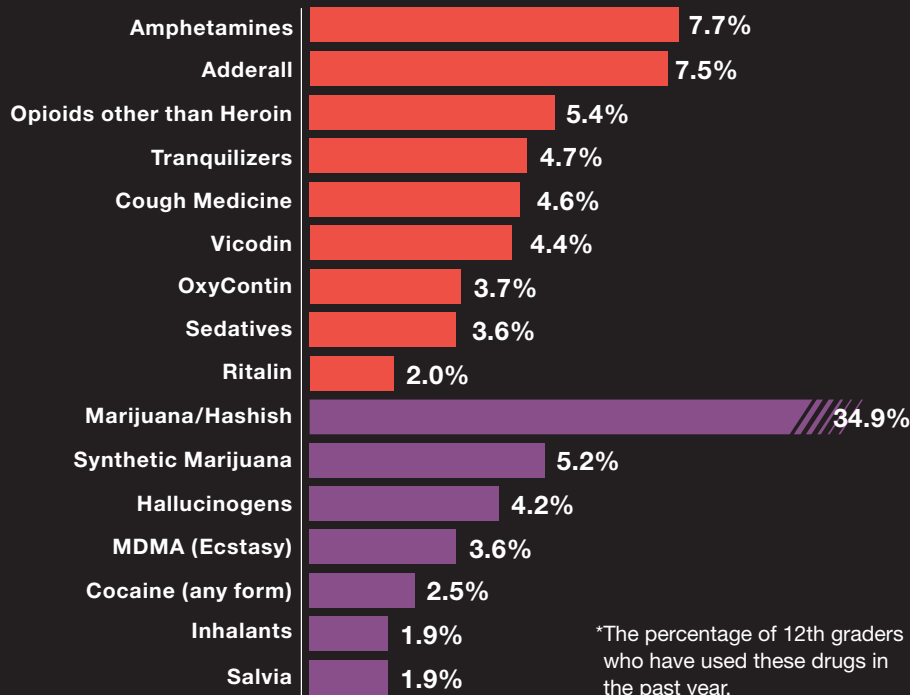


64.7% of 12th graders reported vaporizing "just flavoring" in their last e-cigarette; some didn't know what they inhaled. E-cigs are unregulated so flavored liquid might actually contain nicotine.

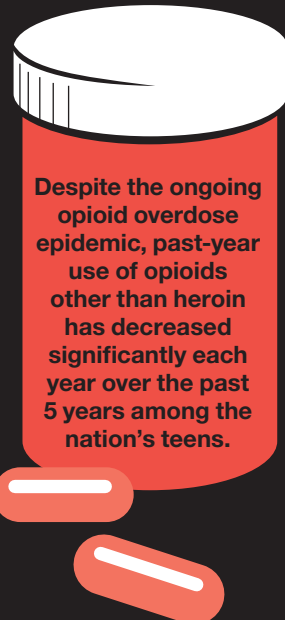


68.1% OF HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS DO NOT VIEW REGULAR MARIJUANA SMOKING AS HARMFUL BUT 71% SAY THEY DISAPPROVE OF REGULAR MARIJUANA SMOKING.

### PRESCRIPTION/OVER-THE-COUNTER VS. ILLICIT DRUGS\*



\*The percentage of 12th graders who have used these drugs in the past year.



Despite the ongoing opioid overdose epidemic, past-year use of opioids other than heroin has decreased significantly each year over the past 5 years among the nation's teens.

Heroin use has also decreased over the past 5 years and is at the lowest rate since the MTF survey began.

STUDENTS REPORT LOWEST RATES SINCE START OF THE SURVEY



Across all grades, past-year use of inhalants, heroin, methamphetamine, alcohol, cigarettes, and synthetic cannabinoids are at their lowest by many measures.



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