

Past Month Marijuana Use 1971-2017

Narrative

Past-month marijuana use by adolescents (ages 12-17), young adults (ages 18-25), and adults (ages 26 and older) across nearly five decades.

Past month marijuana use peaked in 1979.

- Adolescents 14.2 percent
- Young adults 35.6 percent
- Adults 19.7 percent

It fell to its lowest levels in 1992 (1999 for adults).

- Adolescents 3.4 percent
- Young adults 10.9 percent
- Adults 5.4 percent

Since then, marijuana use has gradually increased to 2017.

- Adolescents 6.5 percent – nearly double 1992 use
- Young adults 22.1 percent – more than double 1992 use
- Adults 14.8 percent – nearly triple 1999 use