PRESCRIPTION DRUGS AND BINGE DRINKING AMONG DELAWARE’S YOUTH
DDATA Meeting, 12/08/2009
Center for Drug & Alcohol Studies
TRENDS IN DELAWARE STUDENTS’ CIGARETTE USE BY GRADE
SELF-REPORTED REGULAR USE*, 1989-2009

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TRENDS IN DELAWARE STUDENTS’ ALCOHOL USE BY GRADE
SELF-REPORTED REGULAR USE*, 1989-2009

Survey Year

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HEAVY ALCOHOL USE

- 8th
- 11th
HEAVY MARIJUANA USE

- **8th**: Yearly heavy marijuana use from 2003 to 2009. The numbers range from 4 to 12.
- **11th**: Yearly heavy marijuana use from 2003 to 2009. The numbers range from 10 to 12.
OTHER ILLEGAL DRUG USE (PAST YEAR)
SUBSTANCE USE BY AGE

- Any Rx (Past Year)
- ADHD (Past Year)
- Painkillers (Past Year)
- Binge Drinking (Past Two Weeks)

5th Grade
1% 6%
8th Grade
1% 2% 5% 13%
11th Grade
2% 6% 10% 23% 21%
College
6% 6% 14% 16% 64%
Binge Drinking in Past Two Weeks by Gender
(5 or More Drinks in Single Sitting)
SMOKED MARIJUANA IN PAST MONTH BY GENDER
PAINKILLERS IN PAST YEAR BY GENDER

Male
Female

5th Grade 0% 0%
8th Grade 4% 6%
11th Grade 11% 10%
College 9% 4%
ADHD Medications without Rx in Past Year by Gender

- 5th Grade: Male 1%, Female 0%
- 8th Grade: Male 1%, Female 2%
- 11th Grade: Male 6%, Female 5%
- College: Male 16%, Female 10%

Graph showing the percentage of ADHD medications taken without prescription by gender from 5th grade to college.
Any Rx in Past Year by Gender

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SUBSTANCE USE BY 11TH GRADE STUDENTS

Marijuana
- 20% Anticipates Going to College
- 36% Does Not Anticipate Going to College

Any Rx
- 19% Anticipates Going to College
- 29% Does Not Anticipate Going to College