

Florida Estimates

Based on the Proposed Constitutional Amendment for the 2016 Ballot

[Florida Non-Medical Use of Prescription Drugs](#)

The following presents survey data about nonprescription use of pain relievers in Florida.

Estimates of Nonmedical Users of Pain Relievers in Florida

Self-identified nonmedical pain reliever users

Florida Nonmedical Use of Pain Relievers ¹

						UPDATED	
Age Group	Percent of Users in Age Group	2011	2015	Percent of Users in Age Group in 2013	2013	2017	
Population 12-17	5.50%	76,588	76,388	4.44%	62,394	64,325	
Population 18-24	8.59%	149,927	155,948	7.83%	138,958	142,508	
Population 25+	3.21%	421,925	443,764	2.88%	387,236	415,565	
Total		648,440	676,099		588,587	622,398	

¹ Has used pain relievers for nonmedical reasons once or more times during the past year.

Note:

Nonmedical use of pain relievers rates for the 12-17 age group for Florida for 2013 were applied to Florida's April 1, 2013 and 2017 population estimate/projection for ages 12-17. Single ages 10 and 11 were excluded from the standard 10-17 age group by using shares from the U.S. Census Bureau's single age population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau's Population Estimates by Age for 2013 and 2014. Nonmedical use of pain relievers rates for 18-25 and 26+ groups for Florida for 2013 were applied to Florida's April 1, 2013 and 2017 population estimate/projection for ages 18-24 and 25+ groups, respectively. The estimation assumes usage rates will remain the same.

Sources:

Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration, Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2012 and 2013, Table 8 <http://www.samhsa.gov/data/sites/default/files/NSDUHsaeTotals2013/NSDUHsaeTotalsCSVs2013.zip>. Florida Demographic Database, August 2015 based on results from the Florida Demographic Estimating Conference, July 2015 and the Florida Demographic Estimating Conference, July 2015.

Reference Table: Self-Identified Illicit Marijuana Users

Florida Self-Reported Illicit Marijuana Use ¹

			UPDATED	
Age Group	Marijuana Users (% of Age Group in 2013)	2013	2017	
Population 12-17	13.64%	191,678	197,610	
Population 18-24	32.06%	568,965	583,502	
Population 25+	8.10%	1,089,100	1,168,775	
Total population 18+		1,658,065	1,752,277	

¹ Has used marijuana once or more times during the past year.

Sources:

Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration, Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2012 and 2013, Table 2 <http://www.samhsa.gov/data/sites/default/files/NSDUHsaeTotals2013/NSDUHsaeTotalsCSVs2013.zip>. Florida Demographic Database, August 2015 based on results from the Florida Demographic Estimating Conference, July 2015 and the Florida Demographic Estimating Conference, July 2015.