



# Bureau of Substance Abuse Services

## Substance Abuse Treatment Fact Sheet - FY 2007



*This fact sheet contains information on admissions to Substance abuse treatment reporting Cambridge as their city of residence. Admission data presented here were reported to the Bureau of Substance Abuse Services (BSAS) Substance Abuse Management Information System in FY 2007.*

### Residents of the City of Cambridge

#### Characteristics of Admissions

In FY 2007, there were 106,684 admissions to substance abuse treatment programs statewide; 0.7% (718) of these admissions reported being from the City of Cambridge. 1.3% (9) of admissions from the City of Cambridge were under 18 years of age. **Please note that these statistics represent admissions to treatment and not distinct individuals.** In FY 2007, admissions to substance abuse treatment services from the City of Cambridge reported the following characteristics:

- 65% were male and 35 were female.
- 49% were between the ages of 30-49.
- 70% were white non-Latino, 17% were black non-Latino, 8% were Latino, and 5% were other racial categories.
- 71% were never married, 11% were married, and 18% reported not to be married now.
- 22% had less than high school education, 48% completed high school, and 30% had more than high school education.
- 27% were employed.
- 22% were homeless.
- 40% had prior mental health treatment.

#### Primary Substance of Use

At admission clients identify a “primary drug” of use which is the substance for which they seek treatment. Table 1 compares the proportional distribution of reported primary drugs statewide with that for the City of Cambridge.

Table 1 Primary Drug by District and State FY 2007					
	Alcohol	Heroin	Marijuana	Cocaine	Crack
City	44%	31%	7%	6%	7%
State	41%	36%	6%	4%	4%

#### Substances Used in Past Year

Upon entering treatment, each client is asked to report ALL substances used in the year (12 months) prior to admission. Admissions can report using more than one substance within the year. Therefore the sum of each cell may not equal the total.

Table 2 shows the frequency at which past year use was reported for all substances as well as that for intravenous drug use (IDU).

<b>Table 2</b>							
<b>Number of admissions Reporting Substance Used: FY 1997 – FY 2007</b>							
<b>City of Cambridge</b>							
	Total	Alcohol	Marijuana	Cocaine	Crack	Heroin	IDU
<b>FY '97</b>	1,923	1,648	650	615	472	559	401
<b>FY '98</b>	1,695	1,392	521	515	384	530	426
<b>FY '99</b>	1,615	1,287	450	472	305	562	405
<b>FY '00</b>	1,373	1,052	294	361	220	487	379
<b>FY '01</b>	1,228	959	316	285	152	435	321
<b>FY '02</b>	1,115	823	229	248	135	416	282
<b>FY '03</b>	1,109	817	282	269	171	395	279
<b>FY '04</b>	693	477	209	184	129	259	200
<b>FY '05</b>	737	487	199	215	157	313	236
<b>FY '07</b>	718	514	208	215	150	252	208

### Heroin and Injection Drug Use

Figure 1 below shows the proportional change in admission counts for the City of Cambridge and the proportional change in those admissions reporting heroin and injection drug use.

