



Bureau of Substance Abuse Services

Substance Abuse Treatment Fact Sheet - FY 2007



This fact sheet contains information on admissions to Substance abuse treatment reporting Fall River 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 Fall River

Characteristics of Admissions

In FY 2007, there were 106,684 admissions to substance abuse treatment programs statewide; 3.5% (3,702) of these admissions reported being from the City of Fall River. 1.2% (44) of admissions from the City of Fall River 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 Fall River reported the following characteristics:

- 68% were male and 32% were female.
- 56% were between the ages of 21-39.
- 86% were white non-Latino, 6% were black non-Latino, 5% were Latino, and 3% were other racial categories.
- 67% were never married, 8% were married, and 24% reported not to be married now.
- 38% had less than high school education, 49% completed high school, and 13% had more than high school education.
- 13% were employed.
- 33% were homeless.
- 43% 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 Fall River.

Table 1					
Primary Drug by District and State FY 2007					
	Alcohol	Heroin	Marijuana	Cocaine	Crack
City	36%	41%	6%	5%	4%
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).

Table 2							
Number of admissions Reporting Substance Used: FY 1997 – FY 2007							
City of Fall River							
	Total	Alcohol	Marijuana	Cocaine	Crack	Heroin	IDU
FY '97	2,357	1,969	693	821	542	602	410
FY '98	2,662	2,134	670	817	482	821	553
FY '99	2,713	2,177	766	893	593	920	643
FY '00	2,824	2,199	789	879	627	910	582
FY '01	3,134	2,389	927	1,044	658	984	602
FY '02	3,066	2,296	891	904	674	1,023	624
FY '03	2,763	1,961	796	805	575	1,000	653
FY '04	2,827	1,575	764	875	392	1,559	1,272
FY '05	3,156	1,942	732	1,167	520	1,567	1,321
FY '07	3,702	2,250	795	1,401	631	1,781	1,516

Heroin and Injection Drug Use

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

