



# Bureau of Substance Abuse Services

## Substance Abuse Treatment Fact Sheet - FY 2007



*This fact sheet contains information on admissions to Substance abuse treatment reporting Lawrence 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 Lawrence

#### Characteristics of Admissions

In FY 2007, there were 106,684 admissions to substance abuse treatment programs statewide; 1.4% (1,466) of these admissions reported being from the City of Lawrence. 1.5% (22) of admissions from the Town of Barnstable 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 Lawrence reported the following characteristics:

- 73% were male and 27% were female.
- 59% were between the ages of 21-39.
- 42% were white non-Latino, 4% were black non-Latino, 50% were Latino, and 5% were other racial categories.
- 68% were never married, 13% were married, and 19% reported not to be married now.
- 43% had less than high school education, 46% completed high school, and 11% had more than high school education.
- 27% were employed.
- 13% were homeless.
- 38% 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 Lawrence.

	Alcohol	Heroin	Marijuana	Cocaine	Crack
City	39%	33%	11%	7%	5%
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 Lawrence</b>							
	Total	Alcohol	Marijuana	Cocaine	Crack	Heroin	IDU
<b>FY '97</b>	1,765	1,071	424	486	452	972	627
<b>FY '98</b>	2,069	1,183	477	565	383	1,307	886
<b>FY '99</b>	2,096	1,180	521	633	389	1,306	830
<b>FY '00</b>	2,119	1,206	533	629	405	1,278	889
<b>FY '01</b>	2,117	1,125	509	651	323	1,236	794
<b>FY '02</b>	1,956	1,117	457	541	251	1,182	775
<b>FY '03</b>	1,448	803	372	405	173	842	563
<b>FY '04</b>	1,240	707	298	383	180	675	482
<b>FY '05</b>	1,252	645	285	286	136	577	478
<b>FY '07</b>	1,466	879	395	422	227	483	369

**Heroin and Injection Drug Use**

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

