Table 17A Perceived Availability of Marijuana (Fairly or Very Easy to Obtain) among Persons Aged 18 or Older, by Geographic Area and Demographic Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands, July 2004 to June 2005 and January to December 2006

	Gulf State Dis	saster Area	Remainder of United States		
Demographic Characteristic	July 2004 to June 2005	2006	July 2004 to June 2005	2006	
TOTAL	7,394	7,433	111,553	114,313	
AGE					
18 to 25	1,569	1,500	22,649	23,154	
26 to 49	3,782	3,782	56,569	57,444	
50 or Older	2,042	2,152	32,335	33,714	
GENDER					
Male	3,882	3,825	56,426	58,850	
Female	3,512	3,608	55,127	55,463	
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE					
Not Hispanic or Latino	6,369	6,236	99,832	101,666	
White	4,211	4,131	82,146	83,473	
Black or African American	1,937	1,989	13,170	13,741	
Hispanic or Latino	1,025	1,197	11,721	12,647	
EDUCATION					
< High School	1,345	1,427	15,783	16,309	
High School Graduate	2,430	2,662	35,945	35,967	
Some College	1,980	1,877	31,400	31,804	
College Graduate	1,639	1,468	28,425	30,232	
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT					
Full-Time	4,485	4,580	68,121	69,158	
Part-Time	822	819	16,159	16,469	
Unemployed	*	423	4,492	4,474	
Other ¹	1,777	1,612	22,781	24,211	
FAMILY INCOME					
Less Than \$20,000	1,692	1,749	20,445	20,427	
\$20,000 to \$49,999	2,887	2,491	38,187	38,538	
\$50,000 to \$74,999	1,266	1,244	21,480	20,954	
\$75,000 or More	1,549	1,949	31,441 ^a	34,394	

^{*}Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Gulf State Disaster Area includes the counties and parishes in Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas that were declared a disaster area for Hurricane Katrina and/or Hurricane Rita.

NOTE: Respondents with unknown Perceived Availability data were excluded.

NOTE: Response categories for the Perceived Availability questions include "Probably impossible," "Very difficult," "Fairly difficult," "Fairly easy," and "Very easy." The estimates in this table correspond to persons reporting "Fairly easy" or "Very easy."

^aDifference between estimate and 2006 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

¹ The Other Employment category includes retired persons, disabled persons, homemakers, students, or other persons not in the labor force.

Table 17B Perceived Availability of Marijuana (Fairly or Very Easy to Obtain) among Persons Aged 18 or Older, by Geographic Area and Demographic Characteristics: Percentages, July 2004 to June 2005 and January to December 2006

	Gulf State Dis	saster Area	Remainder of United States	
Demographic Characteristic	July 2004 to June 2005	2006	July 2004 to June 2005	2006
TOTAL	54.4	55.1	57.7	58.1
AGE				
18 to 25	73.8	71.4	76.0	76.8
26 to 49	58.7	60.3	62.2	63.4
50 or Older	40.6	42.0	44.6	44.4
GENDER				
Male	58.5	57.8	60.3	61.2
Female	50.4	52.5	55.2	55.1
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE				
Not Hispanic or Latino	57.9	57.9	58.8	59.1
White	56.0	56.2	59.5	60.0
Black or African American	65.0	65.6	65.3	64.6
Hispanic or Latino	39.5	43.9	49.8	51.3
EDUCATION				
< High School	51.9	47.8	51.1	51.7
High School Graduate	55.2	58.5	59.5	58.4
Some College	58.0	58.5	63.4	63.7
College Graduate	51.3	53.3	54.2	56.2
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT				
Full-Time	61.0	58.8	62.3	63.1
Part-Time	54.8	62.1	63.0	63.0
Unemployed	*	81.2	65.4	70.2
Other ¹	42.1	41.6	44.3	44.3
FAMILY INCOME				
Less Than \$20,000	45.6	51.5	55.9	55.4
\$20,000 to \$49,999	59.2	53.8	57.0	56.7
\$50,000 to \$74,999	58.0	57.9	60.3	60.0
\$75,000 or More	54.7	58.8	58.1	60.3

^{*}Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Gulf State Disaster Area includes the counties and parishes in Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas that were declared a disaster area for Hurricane Katrina and/or Hurricane Rita.

NOTE: Respondents with unknown Perceived Availability data were excluded.

NOTE: Response categories for the Perceived Availability questions include "Probably impossible," "Very difficult," "Fairly difficult," "Fairly easy," and "Very easy." The estimates in this table correspond to persons reporting "Fairly easy" or "Very easy."

^aDifference between estimate and 2006 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

¹ The Other Employment category includes retired persons, disabled persons, homemakers, students, or other persons not in the labor force.

Table 18A Perceived Availability of Cocaine (Fairly or Very Easy to Obtain) among Persons Aged 18 or Older, by Geographic Area and Demographic Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands, July 2004 to June 2005 and January to December 2006

	Gulf State Di	saster Area	Remainder of	United States
	July 2004 to		July 2004 to	
Demographic Characteristic	June 2005	2006	June 2005	2006
TOTAL	4,649	4,547	59,428	61,160
AGE				
18 to 25	927	901	11,997	12,280
26 to 49	2,384	2,421	30,447	31,271
50 or Older	1,338	1,226	16,984	17,610
GENDER				
Male	2,509	2,260	29,840	30,862
Female	2,140	2,287	29,589	30,298
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE				
Not Hispanic or Latino	3,930	3,843	51,512	52,363
White	2,462	2,291	39,880	40,614
Black or African American	1,347	1,463	9,372	9,685
Hispanic or Latino	719	704	7,916	8,797
EDUCATION				
< High School	956	1,032	10,183	10,706
High School Graduate	1,598	1,546	20,105	20,821
Some College	1,222	1,158	16,440	16,499
College Graduate	872	812	12,700	13,134
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT				
Full-Time	2,778	2,607	35,871	36,929
Part-Time	539	498	8,093	8,185
Unemployed	*	264	2,615	2,805
Other ¹	1,129	1,178	12,849	13,242
FAMILY INCOME				
Less Than \$20,000	1,207	1,290	12,852	11,940
\$20,000 to \$49,999	1,885	1,607	20,956	22,158
\$50,000 to \$74,999	741	730	10,640	10,467
\$75,000 or More	816	920	14,980 ^a	16,595

^{*}Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Gulf State Disaster Area includes the counties and parishes in Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas that were declared a disaster area for Hurricane Katrina and/or Hurricane Rita.

NOTE: Respondents with unknown Perceived Availability data were excluded.

NOTE: Response categories for the Perceived Availability questions include "Probably impossible," "Very difficult," "Fairly difficult," "Fairly easy," and "Very easy." The estimates in this table correspond to persons reporting "Fairly easy" or "Very easy."

^aDifference between estimate and 2006 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

¹ The Other Employment category includes retired persons, disabled persons, homemakers, students, or other persons not in the labor force.

Table 18B Perceived Availability of Cocaine (Fairly or Very Easy to Obtain) among Persons Aged 18 or Older, by Geographic Area and Demographic Characteristics: Percentages, July 2004 to June 2005 and January to December 2006

	Gulf State Dis	saster Area	Remainder of United States		
	July 2004 to		July 2004 to		
Demographic Characteristic	June 2005	2006	June 2005	2006	
TOTAL	34.6	33.9	31.2	31.6	
AGE					
18 to 25	44.1	43.8	41.0	41.5	
26 to 49	37.6	39.1	34.0	35.1	
50 or Older	26.8	23.8	23.7	23.5	
GENDER					
Male	38.4	34.4	32.3	32.6	
Female	31.0	33.4	30.3	30.7	
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE					
Not Hispanic or Latino	36.2	35.8	30.9	30.9	
White	33.3	31.5	29.4	29.8	
Black or African American	45.6	49.0	47.2	46.1	
Hispanic or Latino	28.0	26.3	33.9	36.3	
EDUCATION					
< High School	37.6	34.9	33.2	34.4	
High School Graduate	36.6	34.1	33.7	34.4	
Some College	36.0	36.3	34.0	33.7	
College Graduate	27.7	29.8	24.7	24.9	
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT					
Full-Time	38.2	34.2	33.3	34.3	
Part-Time	36.0	38.6	32.3	31.9	
Unemployed	*	50.9	38.9 ^a	44.7	
Other ¹	27.1	29.6	25.3	24.6	
FAMILY INCOME					
Less Than \$20,000	32.5	38.0	35.5 ^a	32.8	
\$20,000 to \$49,999	39.1	34.9	31.8	33.0	
\$50,000 to \$74,999	35.4	34.3	30.4	30.6	
\$75,000 or More	29.1	28.1	28.2	29.7	

^{*}Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Gulf State Disaster Area includes the counties and parishes in Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas that were declared a disaster area for Hurricane Katrina and/or Hurricane Rita.

NOTE: Respondents with unknown Perceived Availability data were excluded.

NOTE: Response categories for the Perceived Availability questions include "Probably impossible," "Very difficult," "Fairly difficult," "Fairly easy," and "Very easy." The estimates in this table correspond to persons reporting "Fairly easy" or "Very easy."

^aDifference between estimate and 2006 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

¹ The Other Employment category includes retired persons, disabled persons, homemakers, students, or other persons not in the labor force.

Table 19A Perceived Availability of Crack (Fairly or Very Easy to Obtain) among Persons Aged 18 or Older, by Geographic Area and Demographic Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands, July 2004 to June 2005 and January to December 2006

	Gulf State Di	saster Area	Remainder of	United States
	July 2004 to		July 2004 to	
Demographic Characteristic	June 2005	2006	June 2005	2006
TOTAL	4,715	4,633	54,312	55,847
AGE				
18 to 25	764	792	9,215	9,423
26 to 49	2,461	2,434	27,770	28,564
50 or Older	1,490	1,407	17,327	17,859
GENDER				
Male	2,519	2,332	26,957	27,865
Female	2,197	2,301	27,355	27,982
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE				
Not Hispanic or Latino	4,167	4,084	47,886	48,560
White	2,538	2,349	35,320	35,721
Black or African American	1,505	1,653	10,407	10,926
Hispanic or Latino	549	549	6,426	7,287
EDUCATION				
< High School	948	1,008	9,713	10,262
High School Graduate	1,606	1,721	19,322	19,834
Some College	1,246	1,158	14,919	14,642
College Graduate	915	745	10,358	11,109
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT				
Full-Time	2,856	2,719	32,582	33,050
Part-Time	503	508	6,840	7,172
Unemployed	187	233	2,470	2,702
Other ¹	1,169	1,174	12,420	12,923
FAMILY INCOME				
Less Than \$20,000	1,170	1,308	12,073	11,305
\$20,000 to \$49,999	1,957	1,692	19,842	20,877
\$50,000 to \$74,999	819	707	9,870	9,277
\$75,000 or More	769	927	12,527 ^a	14,388

^{*}Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Gulf State Disaster Area includes the counties and parishes in Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas that were declared a disaster area for Hurricane Katrina and/or Hurricane Rita.

NOTE: Respondents with unknown Perceived Availability data were excluded.

NOTE: Response categories for the Perceived Availability questions include "Probably impossible," "Very difficult," "Fairly difficult," "Fairly easy," and "Very easy." The estimates in this table correspond to persons reporting "Fairly easy" or "Very easy."

^aDifference between estimate and 2006 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

¹ The Other Employment category includes retired persons, disabled persons, homemakers, students, or other persons not in the labor force.

Table 19B Perceived Availability of Crack (Fairly or Very Easy to Obtain) among Persons Aged 18 or Older, by Geographic Area and Demographic Characteristics: Percentages, July 2004 to June 2005 and January to December 2006

	Gulf State Dis	saster Area	Remainder of United States	
Demographic Characteristic	July 2004 to June 2005	2006	July 2004 to June 2005	2006
TOTAL	35.1	34.6	28.6	29.0
AGE				
18 to 25	36.5	38.8	31.7	32.0
26 to 49	39.0	39.3	31.1	32.2
50 or Older	29.6	27.3	24.3	23.9
GENDER				
Male	38.5	35.6	29.2	29.5
Female	31.8	33.6	28.1	28.4
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE				
Not Hispanic or Latino	38.4	38.0	28.8	28.8
White	34.3	32.3	26.1	26.3
Black or African American	51.0	54.9	52.2	51.9
Hispanic or Latino	21.3	20.7	27.7	30.1
EDUCATION				
< High School	37.1	34.3	31.9	33.0
High School Graduate	36.9	37.8	32.4	32.8
Some College	36.8	36.5	30.9	30.0
College Graduate	29.1	27.3	20.2	21.1
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT				
Full-Time	39.3	35.7	30.4	30.8
Part-Time	33.8	39.6	27.5	28.1
Unemployed	36.0	45.0	36.9 ^a	43.3
Other ¹	28.1	29.6	24.4	24.0
FAMILY INCOME				
Less Than \$20,000	31.5	38.6	33.5	31.1
\$20,000 to \$49,999	40.6	36.9	30.2	31.2
\$50,000 to \$74,999	38.8	32.9	28.2	27.2
\$75,000 or More	27.6	28.3	23.7 ^a	25.9

^{*}Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Gulf State Disaster Area includes the counties and parishes in Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas that were declared a disaster area for Hurricane Katrina and/or Hurricane Rita.

NOTE: Respondents with unknown Perceived Availability data were excluded.

NOTE: Response categories for the Perceived Availability questions include "Probably impossible," "Very difficult," "Fairly difficult," "Fairly easy," and "Very easy." The estimates in this table correspond to persons reporting "Fairly easy" or "Very easy."

^aDifference between estimate and 2006 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

¹ The Other Employment category includes retired persons, disabled persons, homemakers, students, or other persons not in the labor force.

Table 20A Perceived Availability of Heroin (Fairly or Very Easy to Obtain) among Persons Aged 18 or Older, by Geographic Area and Demographic Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands, July 2004 to June 2005 and January to December 2006

	Gulf State Di	saster Area	Remainder of	United States
	July 2004 to		July 2004 to	
Demographic Characteristic	June 2005	2006	June 2005	2006
TOTAL	2,198	2,461	33,797	35,224
AGE				
18 to 25	380	412	5,509	5,538
26 to 49	1,095	1,195	16,443	17,455
50 or Older	723	855	11,845	12,231
GENDER				
Male	1,106	1,074	15,934	16,613
Female	1,092	1,387	17,863	18,611
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE				
Not Hispanic or Latino	1,875	2,123	29,076	29,971
White	1,120	1,218	21,533	22,212
Black or African American	714	850	6,166	6,593
Hispanic or Latino	323	338	4,721	5,253
EDUCATION				
< High School	472	622	6,650	6,872
High School Graduate	743	829	11,841	12,392
Some College	589	579	8,952	8,933
College Graduate	394	431	6,353	7,027
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT				
Full-Time	1,249	1,255	19,251	20,301
Part-Time	236	361	4,149	4,347
Unemployed	109	92	1,493	1,596
Other ¹	603	752	8,904	8,980
FAMILY INCOME				
Less Than \$20,000	598	692	7,815	6,972
\$20,000 to \$49,999	829	867	12,253	13,131
\$50,000 to \$74,999	322	407	5,953	5,821
\$75,000 or More	449	496	7,776 ^a	9,300

^{*}Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Gulf State Disaster Area includes the counties and parishes in Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas that were declared a disaster area for Hurricane Katrina and/or Hurricane Rita.

NOTE: Respondents with unknown Perceived Availability data were excluded.

NOTE: Response categories for the Perceived Availability questions include "Probably impossible," "Very difficult," "Fairly difficult," "Fairly easy," and "Very easy." The estimates in this table correspond to persons reporting "Fairly easy" or "Very easy."

^aDifference between estimate and 2006 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

¹ The Other Employment category includes retired persons, disabled persons, homemakers, students, or other persons not in the labor force.

Table 20B Perceived Availability of Heroin (Fairly or Very Easy to Obtain) among Persons Aged 18 or Older, by Geographic Area and Demographic Characteristics: Percentages, July 2004 to June 2005 and January to December 2006

	Gulf State Di	saster Area	Remainder of U	United States
Demographic Characteristic	July 2004 to June 2005	2006	July 2004 to June 2005	2006
TOTAL	16.4	18.4	17.9	18.3
AGE	10.4	10.4	17.5	10.5
18 to 25	18.2	20.1	19.0	18.9
26 to 49	17.4	19.4	18.5 ^a	19.7
50 or Older	14.4	16.6	16.6	16.4
GENDER				
Male	17.0	16.4	17.3	17.6
Female	15.8 ^a	20.4	18.4	19.0
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE				
Not Hispanic or Latino	17.3	19.9	17.5	17.8
White	15.2	16.8	16.0	16.4
Black or African American	24.0	28.6	31.1	31.6
Hispanic or Latino	12.6	12.7	20.4	21.7
EDUCATION				
< High School	18.5	21.2	21.9	22.2
High School Graduate	17.2	18.4	19.9	20.6
Some College	17.4	18.3	18.6	18.4
College Graduate	12.5	15.8	12.4	13.4
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT				
Full-Time	17.3	16.5	18.0	19.0
Part-Time	15.8 ^a	27.8	16.7	17.1
Unemployed	21.0	18.4	22.3	25.6
Other ¹	14.5	19.1	17.6	16.7
FAMILY INCOME				
Less Than \$20,000	16.1	20.5	21.7 ^a	19.3
\$20,000 to \$49,999	17.2	19.0	18.7	19.7
\$50,000 to \$74,999	15.4	19.2	17.0	17.1
\$75,000 or More	16.1	15.2	14.7 ^a	16.8

^{*}Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Gulf State Disaster Area includes the counties and parishes in Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas that were declared a disaster area for Hurricane Katrina and/or Hurricane Rita.

NOTE: Respondents with unknown Perceived Availability data were excluded.

NOTE: Response categories for the Perceived Availability questions include "Probably impossible," "Very difficult," "Fairly difficult," "Fairly easy," and "Very easy." The estimates in this table correspond to persons reporting "Fairly easy" or "Very easy."

^aDifference between estimate and 2006 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

¹ The Other Employment category includes retired persons, disabled persons, homemakers, students, or other persons not in the labor force.

Table 21A Perceived Availability of LSD (Fairly or Very Easy to Obtain) among Persons Aged 18 or Older, by Geographic Area and Demographic Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands, July 2004 to June 2005 and January to December 2006

	Gulf State Di	saster Area	Remainder of	United States
	July 2004 to		July 2004 to	
Demographic Characteristic	June 2005	2006	June 2005	2006
TOTAL	2,211	2,483	34,006	34,677
AGE				
18 to 25	449	432	6,646 ^a	6,198
26 to 49	1,095	1,218	16,273	16,535
50 or Older	667	833	11,088	11,945
GENDER				
Male	1,090	1,026	15,699	15,362
Female	1,121	1,457	18,307	19,315
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE				
Not Hispanic or Latino	1,827	2,073	29,802	29,934
White	1,223	1,417	23,602	24,037
Black or African American	552	604	4,762	4,623
Hispanic or Latino	384	410	4,204	4,743
EDUCATION				
< High School	481	531	5,568	6,056
High School Graduate	801	800	11,742	11,763
Some College	551	669	9,297	9,380
College Graduate	379	483	7,399	7,479
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT				
Full-Time	1,186	1,335	19,713	20,197
Part-Time	269	333	4,775	4,780
Unemployed	99	87	1,324	1,340
Other ¹	657	728	8,194	8,361
FAMILY INCOME				
Less Than \$20,000	626	645	7,241	6,429
\$20,000 to \$49,999	729	812	12,303	12,967
\$50,000 to \$74,999	396	379	6,286	5,857
\$75,000 or More	459	648	8,176 ^a	9,423

^{*}Low precision; no estimate reported.

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NOTE: Respondents with unknown Perceived Availability data were excluded.

NOTE: Response categories for the Perceived Availability questions include "Probably impossible," "Very difficult," "Fairly difficult," "Fairly easy," and "Very easy." The estimates in this table correspond to persons reporting "Fairly easy" or "Very easy."

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¹ The Other Employment category includes retired persons, disabled persons, homemakers, students, or other persons not in the labor force.

Table 21B Perceived Availability of LSD (Fairly or Very Easy to Obtain) among Persons Aged 18 or Older, by Geographic Area and Demographic Characteristics: Percentages, July 2004 to June 2005 and January to December 2006

	Gulf State Dis	saster Area	Remainder of U	Jnited States
	July 2004 to		July 2004 to	
Demographic Characteristic	June 2005	2006	June 2005	2006
TOTAL	16.6	18.5	18.0	18.0
AGE				
18 to 25	21.6	21.3	22.9 ^a	21.2
26 to 49	17.4	19.6	18.3	18.7
50 or Older	13.4	16.2	15.6	16.0
GENDER				
Male	16.7	15.7	17.1	16.3
Female	16.4 ^a	21.3	18.9	19.7
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE				
Not Hispanic or Latino	16.9	19.3	18.0	17.8
White	16.7	19.5	17.5	17.7
Black or African American	18.8	20.3	24.3	22.2
Hispanic or Latino	15.0	15.4	18.3	19.7
EDUCATION				
< High School	18.8	18.0	18.4	19.5
High School Graduate	18.6	17.7	19.8	19.5
Some College	16.4	21.0	19.3	19.3
College Graduate	12.1	17.7	14.5	14.2
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT				
Full-Time	16.4	17.5	18.5	18.9
Part-Time	18.3	25.9	19.2	18.8
Unemployed	19.1	17.0	19.8	21.4
Other ¹	16.0	18.3	16.3	15.6
FAMILY INCOME				
Less Than \$20,000	17.0	19.0	20.2ª	17.8
\$20,000 to \$49,999	15.2	17.6	18.8	19.4
\$50,000 to \$74,999	18.9	17.9	18.1	17.2
\$75,000 or More	16.5	19.8	15.5	17.0

^{*}Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Gulf State Disaster Area includes the counties and parishes in Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas that were declared a disaster area for Hurricane Katrina and/or Hurricane Rita.

NOTE: Respondents with unknown Perceived Availability data were excluded.

NOTE: Response categories for the Perceived Availability questions include "Probably impossible," "Very difficult," "Fairly difficult," "Fairly easy," and "Very easy." The estimates in this table correspond to persons reporting "Fairly easy" or "Very easy."

^aDifference between estimate and 2006 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

¹ The Other Employment category includes retired persons, disabled persons, homemakers, students, or other persons not in the labor force.