

# The DASIS Report

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## Quick Statistics

The most recent substance abuse treatment data are now easily available online. The Office of Applied Studies has created a web site presenting State- and jurisdiction-level profiles for both the Treatment Episode Data Set (TEDS) and the National Survey of Substance Abuse Treatment Services (N-SSATS).

### In Brief

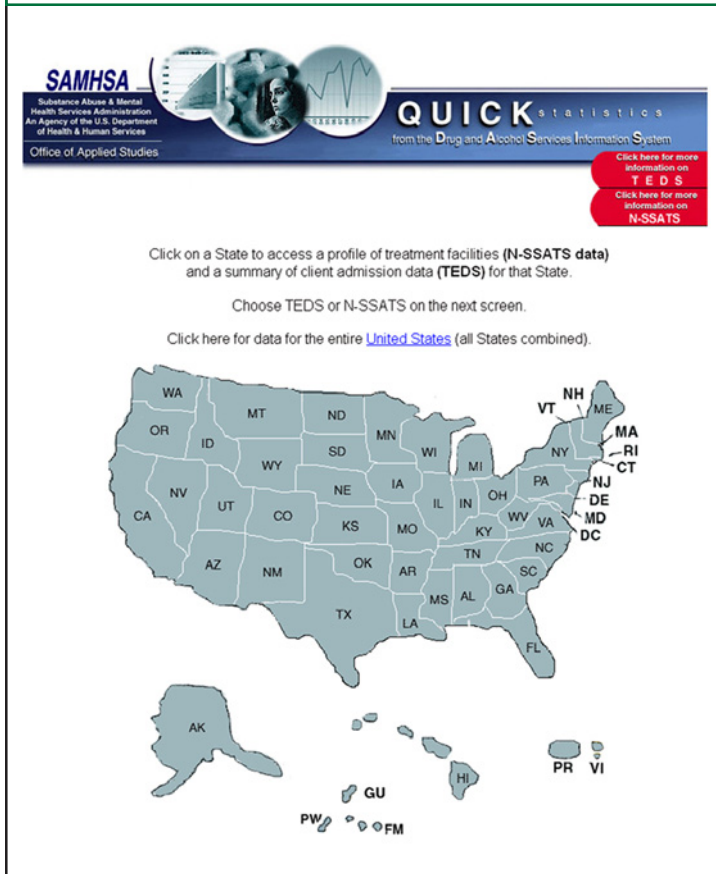
- Using Quick Statistics one can access data on admissions to substance abuse treatment and on substance abuse treatment facilities
- Data are currently available for the United States, each of the 50 States and the District of Columbia, and 5 U.S. territories
- Quick Statistics can be accessed at: <http://wwwdasis.samhsa.gov/webt/newmapv1.htm>

### TEDS

The **Treatment Episode Data Set (TEDS)** is a compilation of data on the demographic and substance abuse characteristics of admissions to and discharges from substance abuse treatment for a given year.<sup>1</sup> Information on treatment admissions and discharges are routinely collected by State administrative systems and then submitted to SAMHSA in a standard format. Each of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico report to TEDS.

For each year in which TEDS data have been compiled, Quick Statistics produces summary tables of admissions by primary substance of abuse<sup>2</sup> and demographic characteristics (sex, age group, race, and ethnicity). Tables can be run for individual States and for all States combined. An important feature of TEDS Quick Statistics is that it provides access to as yet unpublished data for individual States for the most recently completed calendar year. Because some States report data to TEDS as late as the end of the year

**Figure 1. Quick Statistics: Entry Screen**  
[www.dasis.samhsa.gov/web/newmapv1.htm](http://www.dasis.samhsa.gov/web/newmapv1.htm)



following the admission year, there is typically a lag of 2 years before a complete year of data for all States can be aggregated for analysis and publication. With TEDS Quick Statistics, however, preliminary data are available for individual States that have submitted their data early. Currently, 2003 data are available for many States, and 2004 data for a few States. Since data for the total United States can only be assembled after all States have reported to TEDS, these data are not yet available for 2003 or 2004.

## To access Quick Statistics from TEDS

**Step 1:** Go to the website and select the State/jurisdiction of interest or select the entire United States (Figure 1).

**Step 2:** Select “Treatment Episode Data Set (TEDS).”

**Step 3:** Select the year of data that interests you from the drop-down menu. Each year must be run separately.

Figure 2 shows the results of a TEDS inquiry for the State of Maryland. The first row of the table includes the total number and percent of admissions in the State of Maryland by the primary substance of abuse. Subsequent sections of the table include the percentage of admissions by sex, age at admission, race, and ethnicity by primary substance of abuse.

**Figure 2. Sample TEDS Quick Statistics Table for Maryland**

*Substance Abuse Treatment Admissions by Primary Substance of Abuse, According to Sex, Age Group, Race, and Ethnicity*

YEAR=2003

STATE: MARYLAND	Total	PRIMARY SUBSTANCE									
		Alcohol only	Alcohol with secondary drug	Cocaine (smoked)	Cocaine (other route)	Marijuana	Heroin	Other opiates	PCP	Hallucinogens	
<b>Total</b>	No. 71,774	14,234	10,911	6,517	2,807	10,398	22,967	2,146	359	126	
	%	19.8	15.2	9.1	3.9	14.5	32.0	3.0	0.5	0.2	
<b>SEX</b>											
Male	%	66.9	76.7	73.7	56.2	64.5	81.1	56.4	54.0	79.1	
Female	%	33.1	23.3	26.3	43.8	35.5	18.9	43.6	46.0	20.9	
Unknown	%	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
<b>Total</b>	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
<b>AGE AT ADMISSION</b>											
0-11 years	%	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
12-17 years	%	8.9	2.3	7.8	0.8	2.4	40.4	0.9	2.0	3.6	
18-20 years	%	7.2	4.4	8.3	1.8	4.8	18.9	4.9	7.3	11.4	
21-25 years	%	12.8	12.8	15.3	5.1	10.9	10.8	17.1	25.3	27.8	
26-30 years	%	10.0	10.2	10.4	8.2	12.9	7.9	10.5	12.4	18.7	
31-35 years	%	13.9	11.8	12.7	19.1	17.3	5.4	18.1	13.9	6.3	

## N-SSATS

The **National Survey of Substance Abuse Treatment Services (N-SSATS)** is an annual survey of all known public and private substance abuse treatment facilities in the United States, the District of Columbia, and the territories of Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, Guam, Palau, and the Federated States of Micronesia.<sup>3</sup> N-SSATS collects information on location, characteristics, treatment services offered, and utilization of

treatment services. The survey asks questions about services offered and number of clients in treatment as of the survey reference date—the last business day in March. Like TEDS, data from the N-SSATS can be analyzed at both the State and national level. Currently, N-SSATS Quick Statistics includes data from the 2002 and 2003 surveys.

## To access Quick Statistics from N-SSATS

**Step 1:** Go to the website and select the State/jurisdiction of interest or select the entire United States (Figure 1).

**Step 2:** Select “National Survey of Substance Abuse Treatment Services (N-SSATS).”

**Step 3:** Select the year of data that interests you from a drop-down menu. Each year must be run separately.

Figure 3 shows the results of an N-SSATS inquiry for the State of Maryland. This 3-page profile details the characteristics of substance abuse treatment facilities and provides information on the number of persons in treatment on March 31, 2003. Tables included in this profile present data on facility ownership, facility focus, types of care and services offered, types of payment accepted, and facility licensing.

## Additional TEDS or N-SSATS Data

More TEDS and N-SSATS data are available through the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Data Archive in the form of additional online analyses and public use files.

To access SAMHDA, please go to: <http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/SAMHDA/archive.html>

For help using SAMHDA, read the short reports on using SAMHDA available on the OAS website at: <http://oas.samhsa.gov/tutorial.cfm>

### End Notes

- <sup>1</sup> For more information on the TEDS methodology, please see <http://www.oas.samhsa.gov/2k2/TEDS/TEDS.cfm>
- <sup>2</sup> The *primary substance of abuse* is the main substance reported at the time of admission.
- <sup>3</sup> For more information on the N-SSATS methodology, please see <http://www.oas.samhsa.gov/2k3/NSSATS/NSSATS.cfm>

**Figure 3. Sample N-SSATS Quick Statistics Report for Maryland (1<sup>st</sup> page)**

