Prevalence of Drug Problems

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Points to be made

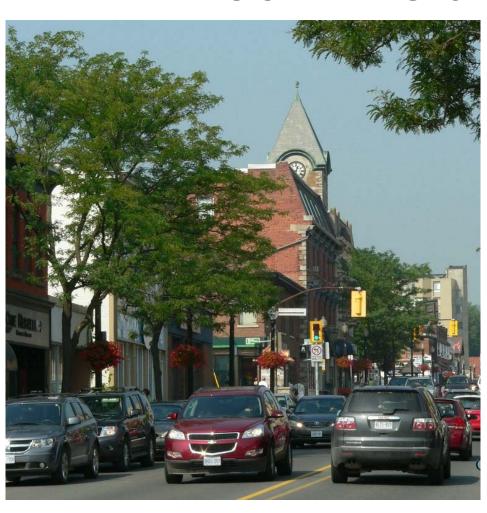
- drug use and drug problems are widespread in Ontario
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"When I read about the evils of drinking, I gave up reading."

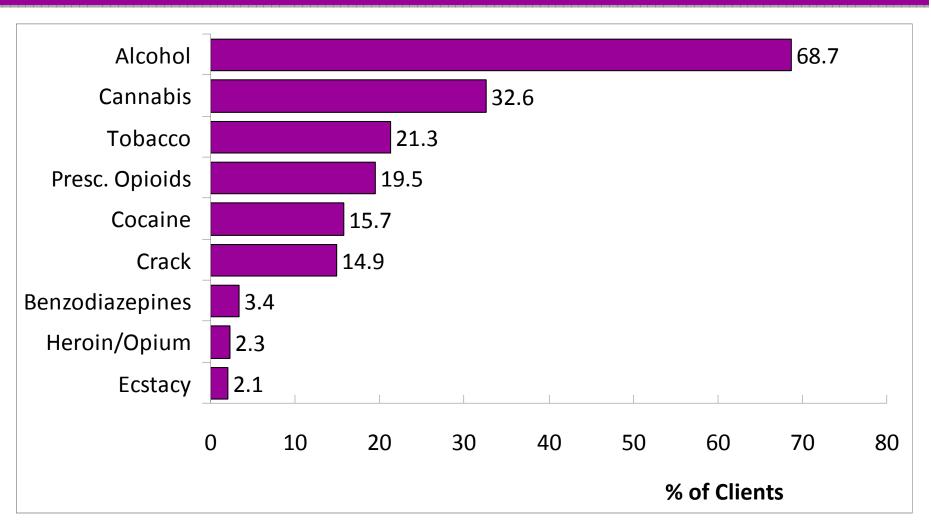
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Real People

Real Problems

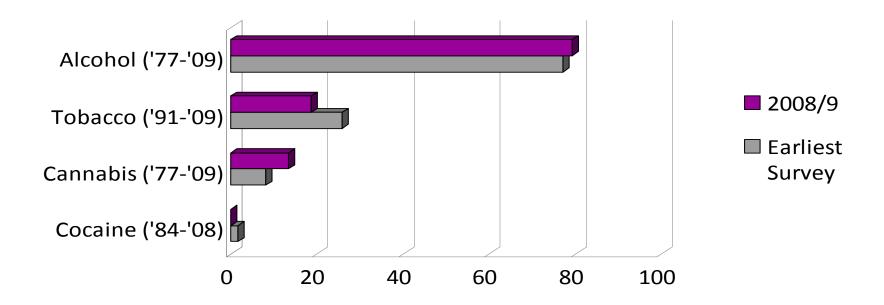


Problem Drugs Identified by Admissions to Specialized Drug Treatment in Ontario, 2010-11



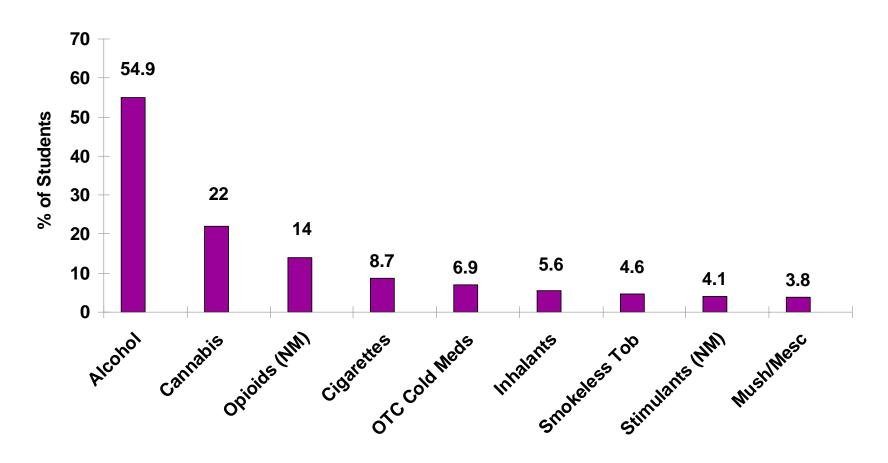
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Prevalence of Drug Use Among Ontario Adults (18+ yr)



CAMH (2011). CAMH Monitor eReport: Addiction and Mental Health Indicators Among Ontario Adults, 1977-2009. n: 1047-2627

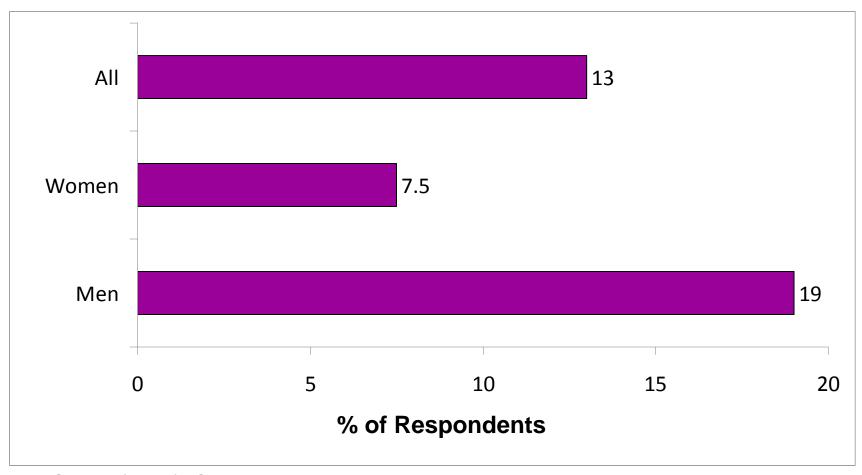
Prevalence of Drug Use in Past Year Ontario Grades 7 – 12 (2011)



CAMH: Drug Use Among Ontario Students, 1977-2011 (2011)

N = 9288

Prevalence of Ontario Adults Drinking Harmfully Based on AUDIT Scores (8+) (2009)

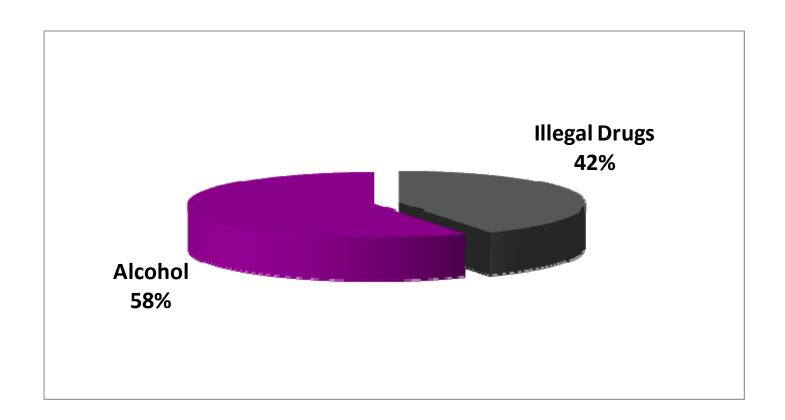


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Legal Consequences of Drug Use



407,500 Alcohol & Drug Offences in Ontario, 2002 (53% of all offences)

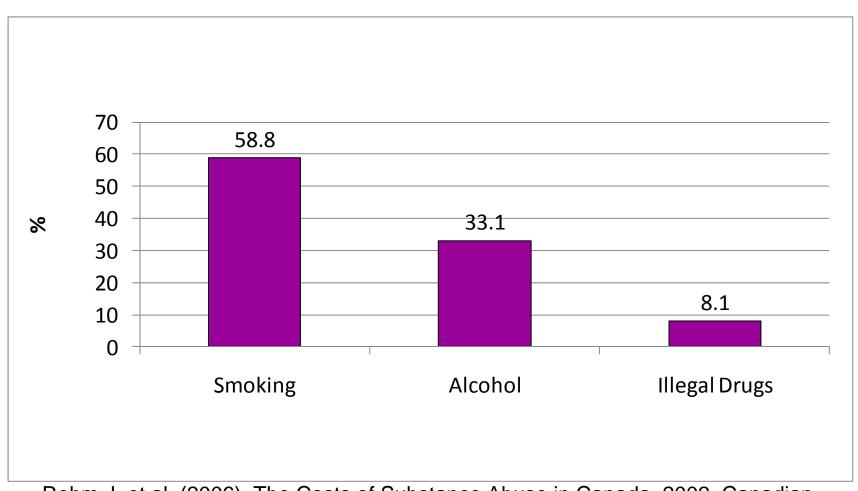


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Drug Problems in the Health Care System



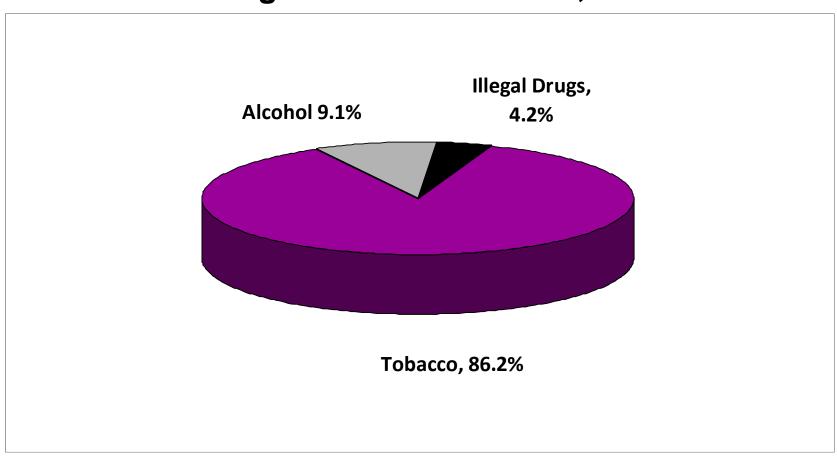
1.3+ Million Alcohol-, Tobacco- & Illegal Drug-Related Hospital Days, Ontario 2002 (17.8% of all hospital days)



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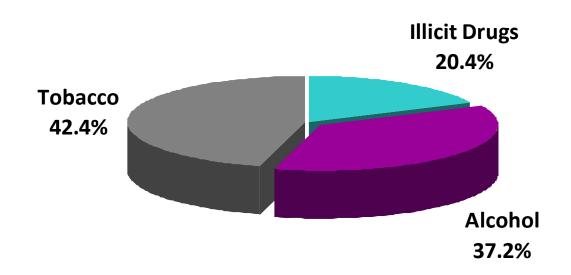
Type of Drug-related Deaths in Ontario (2002)

Drug-related deaths = 15,253



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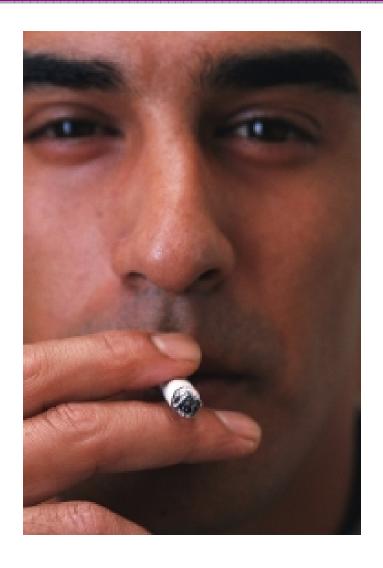
Economic Costs of Drug Problems in Ontario, 2002 = \$14,300 million

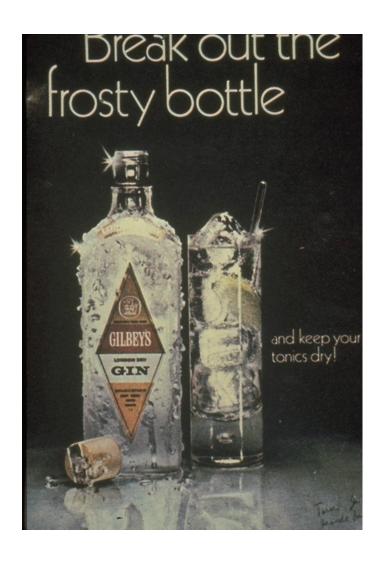


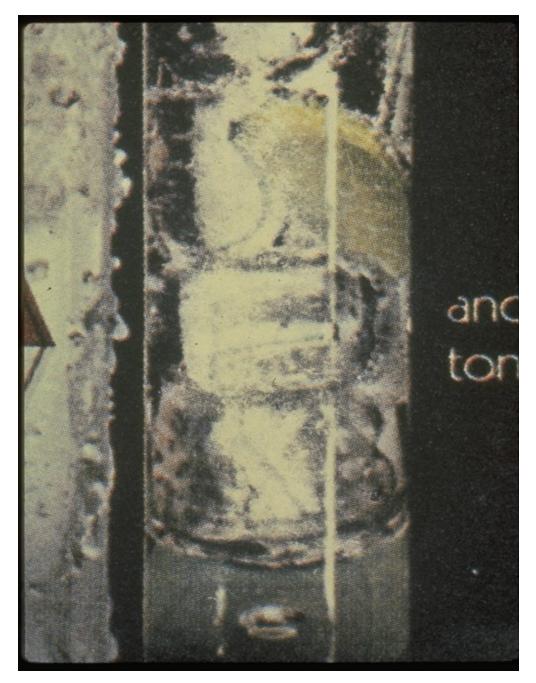
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Take-home Messages

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