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I. Executive Summary

From April 1, 2007 to March 15, 2008, the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS), in conjunction with the Public Policy Research Institute (PPRI) at Texas A&M University, conducted a telephone survey of substance use and related behaviors among adults in Harris, Dallas, Bexar, Tarrant, Hidalgo, Travis, and El Paso Counties. A total of 2,461 respondents aged 18 and over were surveyed from the seven major counties. This study, sponsored by Texas's Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF) State Incentive Grant from the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, is designed to help assess community changes and needs, inform prevention efforts, and have an impact on future epidemiological research.

Included below is a summary of the survey methodology, the survey content, the sample design, the sample size for El Paso County, significant findings for El Paso County, definitions of key terms in the survey, and summary tables for El Paso County.

Methodology

This survey involved a telephone interview of households stratified by seven counties in Texas. These counties were further sub-divided by gender and age categories. The final sample of 2,461 respondents was a random digit sample of all telephone households in seven counties.

Survey Instrument

The 2007-2008 adult substance use questionnaire was developed to measure alcohol and drug usage as well as other addictive behaviors. Much of the focus was on alcohol use and abuse to meet Texas's SPF objectives. The survey instrument began with a screening question to determine whether the respondent was eligible to participate in the study. Individuals that were not 18 years or older were excluded from participation. Subsequent questions included: general health (including physical health and insurance coverage), personal tobacco use (including frequency and type of tobacco usage), personal alcohol use (including frequency of drinking, type of drinking, and driving under the influence of alcohol), alcohol dependence and abuse,

use of drugs other than alcohol, drug use and consequences (including driving under the influence of drugs), drug dependence and abuse, drug and alcohol treatment, self perceptions of risk of alcohol and drug use, mental health (including treatment of mental health), and basic demographic information.

Sample Design

The population of interest was all adults, 18 years and older, living in seven major counties in Texas. The design was a stratified random sampling with male/female and age 18-25/age 26+ strata in each county. From each of twenty-eight sampling strata, a simple random sample of adults was selected. Stratification by gender and age resulted in the screening of individuals during the sample selection process in all seven counties.

The approach used in sampling was random digit dialing samples selected in the counties. Using listed telephone numbers, operating banks of telephone numbers were identified. The standard procedure for attempting to contact a household was to place a call during each of five different shifts throughout the week. Four of these calls normally occur during the evening or weekend hours when respondents are more likely to be at home. Numbers that were apparently disconnected were tried twice. Busy numbers were tried twice during the same shift, and attempts were repeated during five different shifts. When a household had been reached, but the correct respondent was not available, as many as five more tries were made to reach the correct respondent.

The telephone sampling frame was generated by the Survey Sampling International, Inc. Final dispositions of 2,461 respondents are presented in Table 1.

Table 1. Composition of Total Samples, 2007-2008[1]

County	CM	NotQ	BN/DS	RF	NA/BZ/AM	DL	CB	Excl	Totals
Bexar	4.80%	10.66%	32.49%	18.61%	25.50%	0.22%	1.57%	6.14%	6415
Dallas	3.74%	8.08%	40.64%	16.28%	21.96%	0.37%	2.21%	6.70%	9620
El Paso	5.11%	4.98%	31.14%	16.49%	24.78%	0.39%	11.84%	5.27%	6223
Harris	2.92%	8.77%	34.96%	17.63%	26.52%	0.32%	2.46%	6.43%	16068
Hidalgo	5.26%	5.94%	29.95%	19.88%	21.53%	0.27%	11.71%	5.46%	5876
Tarrant	5.08%	9.19%	25.09%	21.41%	30.75%	0.26%	1.85%	6.37%	7239
Travis	3.37%	9.41%	39.85%	15.31%	23.03%	0.25%	1.95%	6.83%	9764
Totals	2461	5113	21016	10831	15292	185	2458	3849	61205

[1] **CM** = Completed Survey - Successfully interviewed the respondent.
NotQ = Not Qualified - Contact was over quota based on sex or age group.
BN/DS = Bad number/Disconnect - Invalid phone number/Phone number has been disconnected.
RF = Refusal - Respondent refuses to answer any questions or terminates before completion.
NA/BZ/AM = No answer/Busy/Answering Machine - No response at the phone number attempted.
DL = Deaf or language problem
CB = Callback - Respondent requested to be called back later.
Excl = Exclude - Phone number was to a business or government agency.

Sample Size

The sample size for El Paso County included a total of 318 participants. Table 2 shows the breakdown of strata for gender and age categories in the El Paso County sample.

Table 2. Sample Size for El Paso County, 2007-2008

El Paso County	Male	Female	Total
Age 18-25	22	31	53
Age 26+	63	202	265
Total	85	233	318

Weights

Weight variables were included with the dataset to adjust for differences between the sample distribution and the population distribution of age, gender, and Texas County. The population statistics were obtained from the 2006 Population Estimates from the Texas State Data Center.

Significant Survey Findings for El Paso County

- In the 2007-2008 survey, 81.5 percent of adults aged 18 and over in El Paso County reported having drunk alcohol at least once in their lifetime and 47.4 percent reported past month alcohol use.
- Lifetime use of alcohol among adults aged 18 to 25 in El Paso County was 83.9 percent, and past month use of alcohol was 53.2 percent in that age group. Both rates were higher than those in other six surveyed counties.
- About 30.3 percent of adults aged 18 to 25 in El Paso County participated in binge use of alcohol in the past month, compared to 21.0 percent of those in that age group in other six surveyed counties.
- Some 29.0 percent of adults aged 18 to 25 in El Paso County were alcohol abusers or alcohol dependent.
- 31.9 percent of adults aged 18 to 25 in El Paso County reported ever driving under the influence of alcohol or riding with persons under influence of alcohol at least once during the past year, compared to 22.7 percent of those in that age group in other six surveyed counties.
- All adults aged 18 and over in El Paso County (68.3 percent) were more likely to perceive a great risk of driving after consuming two to three alcoholic beverages than those in other six surveyed counties (64.7 percent).
- Almost 20.0 percent of adults aged 18 and over in El Paso County were current cigarette smokers, 3.8 percent were current marijuana users, and 1.6 percent were current cocaine/crack users.
- 8.9 percent of adults aged 18 and over in El Paso County reported ever driving under the influence of drugs or riding with persons under influence of drugs at least once in the past year, and 3.4 percent were drug abusers or drug dependent.

Definitions

(1) Binge Drinking: Binge drinking was defined as consuming five or more drinks for male adults and consuming four or more drinks for female adults, at a single occasion on at least one day in the past 30 days.

(2) Alcohol Abuse: Abuse of alcohol was defined as meeting one or more of the four criteria/symptoms for abuse included in the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders* (DSM-IV) (American Psychiatric Association, 1994) and if the definition for dependence was not met for alcohol use. Measurement derived from the survey questions can be referred to page 7 of the survey instrument (http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/sa/RecentResearchStudies.shtm).

(3) Alcohol Dependence: Dependence on alcohol was defined as meeting three out of seven dependence criteria/symptoms included in the DSM-IV. Measurement derived from the survey questions can be referred to page 7 of the survey instrument (http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/sa/RecentResearchStudies.shtm).

(4) Drug Abuse: Abuse of illicit drugs was defined as meeting one or more of the four criteria/symptoms for abuse included in the DSM-IV and if the definition for dependence was not met for that drug. Measurement derived from the survey questions can be referred to page 18 of the survey instrument (http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/sa/RecentResearchStudies.shtm).

(5) Drug Dependence: Dependence on illicit drugs was defined as meeting three out of seven dependence criteria/symptoms included in the DSM-IV. Measurement derived from the survey questions can be referred to page 18 of the survey instrument (http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/sa/RecentResearchStudies.shtm).

[PLEASE NOTE: If respondents were classified as either abusing or dependent following the above definitions, they are categorized as abusing or dependent.]

II. Summary Tables

Weights were applied to the following survey results to adjust the sample to reflect more accurately the actual demographic composition of the adult population in the area.

Section I: Demographic Characteristics

Table 3. Age by Area		
Age	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
18-25	19.6%	16.7%
26+	80.4%	83.3%

Table 4. Gender by Area		
Gender	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
Male	47.9%	49.7%
Female	52.1%	50.3%

Table 5. Ethnicity by Area		
Ethnicity	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
Anglo	25.7%	55.7%
Hispanic	71.5%	27.1%
African-American	2.4%	14.4%

Table 6. Education Level by Area		
What is the highest grade or level in school that you've completed?	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
Never attended school	0.0%	0.2%
1st through 5th	2.1%	2.1%
6th through 8th	6.8%	3.5%
9th through 12th	12.8%	9.3%
High school diploma	19.0%	18.0%
Some college, but no degree	22.3%	19.6%
Associate's degree	8.3%	6.1%
Bachelor's degree	17.7%	25.8%
Graduate level degree (e.g. MA, MS, JD, MD, PhD)	11.0%	15.3%

Table 7. Employment Status by Area		
What is your current employment status?	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
Working full-time - 35 hours per week or more	45.2%	55.4%
Working part-time - fewer then 35 hours per week	13.6%	11.7%
Not employed	41.2%	32.9%

Table 8. Public Assistance by Area		
Do you receive TANF, WIC, food stamps, SSI or any other form of public assistance?)	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
Yes	17.0%	11.6%
No	83.0%	88.4%

Table 9. Hurricane Katrina Relocation by Area		
Did you move or relocate because your home was damaged or destroyed by Hurricane Katrina?	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
Yes	0.0%	2.0%
No	100.0%	98.0%

Table 10. Hurricane Rita Relocation by Area		
Did you move or relocate because your home was damaged or destroyed by Hurricane Rita?	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
Yes	0.7%	1.0%
No	99.3%	99.0%

Section II: Alcohol Use and Related Risk Behaviors

Table 11. Prevalence Use of Alcohol by Age					
Alcohol Use	**Used Past Month**	**Past Year (Past Month included)**	**Ever Used**	**Never Used**	**Average at First Use in Years**
Age 18-25					
El Paso	53.2%	71.3%	83.9%	16.1%	15.2
Other 6 Counties	45.3%	64.6%	76.1%	23.9%	16.7
Age 26+					
El Paso	46.0%	60.7%	80.9%	19.1%	18.9
Other 6 Counties	51.5%	66.7%	88.4%	11.6%	18.0
Total Age 18+					
El Paso	47.4%	62.8%	81.5%	18.5%	18.1
Other 6 Counties	50.5%	66.3%	86.3%	13.7%	17.8

Table 12. Ever Used Alcohol by Gender: Total Age 18+		
El Paso County		
Ever Used	Gender	
Col Pct	Male	Female
Yes	89.1%	74.5%
No	10.9%	25.5%

Table 13. Ever Used Alcohol by Gender: Total Age 18+		
Other 6 Counties		
Ever Used	Gender	
Col Pct	Male	Female
Yes	91.2%	81.5%
No	8.8%	18.5%

Table 14. Ever Used Alcohol by Ethnicity: Total Age 18+			
El Paso County			
Ever Used	Ethnic/Race Group		
Col Pct	Anglo	Hispanic	African-American
Yes	92.7%	78.3%	54.4%
No	7.3%	21.7%	45.6%

Table 15. Ever Used Alcohol by Ethnicity: Total Age 18+			
Other 6 Counties			
Ever Used	Ethnic/Race Group		
Col Pct	Anglo	Hispanic	African-American
Yes	92.3%	77.5%	81.6%
No	7.7%	22.5%	18.4%

Table 16. Past Month Use of Alcohol by Gender: Total Age 18+		
El Paso County		
Past 30 days	Gender	
Col Pct	Male	Female
Yes	54.1%	41.3%
No	45.9%	58.7%

Table 17. Past Month Use of Alcohol by Gender: Total Age 18+		
Other 6 Counties		
Past 30 days	Gender	
Col Pct	Male	Female
Yes	59.3%	41.6%
No	40.7%	58.4%

Table 18. Past Month Use of Alcohol by Ethnicity: Total Age 18+			
El Paso County			
Past 30 Days	Ethnic/Race Group		
Col Pct	Anglo	Hispanic	African-American
Yes	54.6%	46.4%	9.1%
No	45.4%	53.6%	90.9%

Table 19. Past Month Use of Alcohol by Ethnicity: Total Age 18+			
Other 6 Counties			
Past 30 Days	Ethnic/Race Group		
Col Pct	Anglo	Hispanic	African-American
Yes	57.8%	42.0%	39.7%
No	42.2%	58.0%	60.3%

Table 20. Binge Drinking by Area: Total Age 18+		
Binge Drinking in Past 30 days	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
Never	85.8%	85.0%
Once	3.5%	5.2%
More than Once	10.7%	9.8%

Table 21. Binge Drinking by Age		
El Paso County		
Binge Drinking in Past 30 days	Age	
Col Pct	18-25	26+
Never	69.7%	89.7%
Once	10.4%	1.8%
More than Once	19.9%	8.5%

Table 22. Binge Drinking by Age		
Other 6 Counties		
Binge Drinking in Past 30 days	Age	
Col Pct	18-25	26+
Never	79.0%	86.1%
Once	6.0%	5.1%
More than Once	15.0%	8.8%

Table 23. Binge Drinking by Gender: Total Age 18+		
El Paso County		
Binge Drinking in Past 30 days	Gender	
Col Pct	Male	Female
Never	79.7%	91.5%
Once	4.2%	2.8%
More than Once	16.1%	5.7%

Table 24. Binge Drinking by Gender: Total Age 18+		
Other 6 Counties		
Binge Drinking in Past 30 days	Gender	
Col Pct	Male	Female
Never	79.8%	90.1%
Once	6.6%	3.9%
More than Once	13.6%	6.1%

Table 25. Binge Drinking by Ethnicity: Total Age 18+			
El Paso County			
Binge Drinking in Past 30 days	Ethnic/Race Group		
Col Pct	Anglo	Hispanic	African-American
Never	86.8%	84.7%	100.0%
Once	4.1%	3.4%	0.0%
More than Once	9.1%	11.8%	0.0%

Table 26. Binge Drinking by Ethnicity: Total Age 18+			
Other 6 Counties			
Binge Drinking in Past 30 days	Ethnic/Race Group		
Col Pct	Anglo	Hispanic	African-American
Never	84.8%	82.6%	88.3%
Once	5.1%	6.2%	4.5%
More than Once	10.1%	11.2%	7.2%

Table 27. Alcohol Abuse or Alcohol Dependence by Area: Total Age 18+		
Alcohol Abuse or Alcohol Dependence	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
Not Abused/Dependent	91.1%	92.5%
Abused/Dependent	8.9%	7.5%

Table 28. Alcohol Abuse or Alcohol Dependence by Age		
El Paso County		
Alcohol Abuse or Alcohol Dependence	Age	
Col Pct	18-25	26+
Not Abused/Dependent	71.0%	96.0%
Abused/Dependent	29.0%	4.0%

Table 29. Alcohol Abuse or Alcohol Dependence by Age		
Other 6 Counties		
Alcohol Abuse or Alcohol Dependence	Age	
Col Pct	18-25	26+
Not Abused/Dependent	85.3%	93.9%
Abused/Dependent	14.7%	6.1%

Table 30. Alcohol Abuse or Alcohol Dependence by Gender: Total Age 18+		
El Paso County		
Alcohol Abuse or Alcohol Dependent	Gender	
Col Pct	Male	Female
Not Abused/Dependent	88.2%	93.8%
Abused/Dependent	11.9%	6.2%

Table 31. Alcohol Abuse or Alcohol Dependence by Gender: Total Age 18+		
Other 6 Counties		
Alcohol Abuse or Alcohol Dependence	Gender	
Col Pct	Male	Female
Not Abused/Dependent	90.3%	94.6%
Abused/Dependent	9.7%	5.4%

Table 32. Alcohol Abuse or Alcohol Dependence by Ethnicity: Total Age 18+			
El Paso County			
Alcohol Abuse or Alcohol Dependence	Ethnic/Race Group		
Col Pct	Anglo	Hispanic	African-American
Not Abused/Dependent	98.8%	87.9%	100.0%
Abused/Dependent	1.2%	12.1%	0.0%

Table 33. Alcohol Abuse or Alcohol Dependence by Ethnicity: Total Age 18+			
Other 6 Counties			
Alcohol Abuse or Alcohol Dependence	Ethnic/Race Group		
Col Pct	Anglo	Hispanic	African-American
Not Abused/Dependent	93.0%	90.9%	92.5%
Abused/Dependent	7.0%	9.1%	7.5%

Table 34. Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol by Area: Total Age 18+		
Ever Driven Under Influence of Alcohol or Rode with Person Under Influence of Alcohol	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
No	88.1%	87.9%
Yes	11.9%	12.1%

Table 35. Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol by Age		
El Paso County		
Ever Driven Under Influence of Alcohol or Rode with Person Under Influence of Alcohol	Age	
Col Pct	18-25	26+
No	68.1%	92.9%
Yes	31.9%	7.1%

Table 36. Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol by Age		
Other 6 Counties		
Ever Driven Under Influence of Alcohol or Rode with Person Under Influence of Alcohol	Age	
Col Pct	18-25	26+
No	77.3%	90.0%
Yes	22.7%	10.0%

Table 37. Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol by Gender: Total Age 18+		
El Paso County		
Ever Driven Under Influence of Alcohol or Rode with Person Under Influence of Alcohol	Gender	
Col Pct	Male	Female
No	85.9%	90.1%
Yes	14.1%	9.9%

Table 38. Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol by Gender: Total Age 18+		
Other 6 Counties		
Ever Driven Under Influence of Alcohol or Rode with Person Under Influence of Alcohol	Gender	
Col Pct	Male	Female
No	85.8%	90.0%
Yes	14.2%	10.0%

Table 39. Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol by Ethnicity: Total Age 18+			
El Paso County			
Ever Driven Under Influence of Alcohol or Rode with Person Under Influence of Alcohol	Ethnic/Race Group		
Col Pct	Anglo	Hispanic	African-American
No	92.1%	86.4%	90.9%
Yes	7.9%	13.6%	9.1%

Table 40. Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol by Ethnicity: Total Age 18+			
Other 6 Counties			
Ever Driven Under Influence of Alcohol or Rode with Person Under Influence of Alcohol	Ethnic/Race Group		
Col Pct	Anglo	Hispanic	African-American
No	87.6%	85.2%	91.4%
Yes	12.4%	14.8%	8.6%

Table 41. Alcohol Related Problems by Area: Total Age 18+		
Alcohol Related Health, Psychological or Work/School/Home Problems	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
No	95.2%	94.6%
Yes	4.8%	5.4%

Table 42. Alcohol Treatment by Area: Total Age 18+		
Received or Made Effort to Get Alcohol Treatment	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
No	99.5%	99.5%
Yes	0.5%	0.5%

Table 43. Perception of Current Self Alcohol Use by Area: Total Age 18+		
Perception of Current Self Alcohol Use	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
Abstainer that Never Drinks	37.0%	34.2%
Light Drinker	42.5%	48.3%
Moderate Drinker	19.5%	16.1%
Heavy Drinker	0.4%	1.1%
Problem Drinker	0.6%	0.4%

Table 44. Perceived Risk of Alcohol Use by Area: Total Age 18+		
Perception of Risk Involved with Consuming One or Two Alcoholic Beverages Every Day	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
No risk	7.4%	10.9%
Slight risk	18.5%	26.4%
Moderate risk	39.4%	35.8%
Great risk	34.6%	26.9%

Table 45. Perceived Risk of Binge Use of Alcohol by Area: Total Age 18+		
Perception of Risk Involved with Consuming Five or More Alcoholic Beverages at One Setting	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
No risk	0.8%	2.1%
Slight risk	3.8%	5.0%
Moderate risk	17.8%	21.7%
Great risk	77.6%	71.2%

Table 46. Perceived Risk of Drinking and Driving by Area: Total Age 18+		
Perception of Risk Involved with Driving After Consuming Two to Three Alcoholic Beverages	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
No risk	0.9%	1.4%
Slight risk	5.3%	6.2%
Moderate risk	25.5%	27.7%
Great risk	68.3%	64.7%

Table 47. Source of Alcohol by Area: Total Age 18+		
Source of Last Alcoholic Beverage that You Drank	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
Liquor Store, Convenience Store, Grocery Store, or Gas Station	47.2%	50.4%
Restaurant, Bar, or Club	27.8%	31.2%
Concert, Sports, or Other Event	13.6%	7.7%
Other	11.4%	10.8%

Table 48. Self Purchase of Alcohol by Area: Total Age 18+		
Self Purchase of Last Alcoholic Beverage	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
Yes	60.0%	67.1%
No	40.0%	32.9%

Section III: Use of Tobacco, Inhalants, and other Drugs and Related Risk Behaviors

Table 49. Prevalence Use of Tobacco, Inhalants, and Other Drugs					
Age 18-25	**Used Past Month**	**Past Year (Past Month included)**	**Ever Used**	**Never Used**	**Average at First Use**
Cigarette					
El Paso	39.2%	41.6%	59.7%	40.3%	15.1
Other 6 Counties	25.3%	33.3%	55.3%	44.7%	15.3
Other Tobacco (snuff, chewing tobacco, cigars, and pipes)					
El Paso	2.4%	8.7%	22.9%	77.1%	17.4
Other 6 Counties	6.7%	11.1%	19.7%	80.3%	16.9

Table 49. Prevalence Use of Tobacco, Inhalants, and Other Drugs					
Age 18-25	**Used Past Month**	**Past Year (Past Month included)**	**Ever Used**	**Never Used**	**Average at First Use**
Marijuana					
El Paso	13.3%	19.6%	42.0%	58.0%	15.4
Other 6 Counties	15.4%	20.6%	37.0%	63.0%	15.4
Crack/Cocaine					
El Paso	3.9%	9.4%	25.9%	74.1%	16.3
Other 6 Counties	1.3%	3.8%	10.4%	89.6%	16.9
Heroin					
El Paso	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	.
Other 6 Counties	0.0%	0.0%	2.4%	97.6%	17.6
Inhalants					
El Paso	0.0%	0.0%	7.2%	92.8%	15.3
Other 6 Counties	0.0%	1.2%	4.5%	95.5%	15.1
Hallucinogens					
El Paso	0.0%	2.4%	12.7%	87.3%	16.7
Other 6 Counties	1.3%	4.6%	14.8%	85.2%	16.9
Non-Prescription Stimulants					
El Paso	0.0%	1.5%	6.3%	93.7%	16.5
Other 6 Counties	0.2%	1.1%	3.6%	96.4%	17.1
Prescription Stimulants					
El Paso	0.0%	0.0%	6.3%	93.7%	18.9
Other 6 Counties	0.6%	1.3%	4.7%	95.3%	16.7
Over-the-Counter Stimulants					
El Paso	0.0%	0.0%	2.4%	97.6%	15.0
Other 6 Counties	0.8%	2.5%	4.6%	95.4%	18.4
Non-Prescription Sedatives					
El Paso	0.0%	0.0%	4.8%	95.2%	16.0
Other 6 Counties	0.2%	1.4%	2.6%	97.4%	17.5
Prescription Sedatives					
El Paso	0.0%	3.9%	3.9%	96.1%	20.0
Other 6 Counties	1.1%	2.8%	5.5%	94.5%	17.9

Table 49. Prevalence Use of Tobacco, Inhalants, and Other Drugs					
Age 18-25	**Used Past Month**	**Past Year (Past Month included)**	**Ever Used**	**Never Used**	**Average at First Use**
Over-the-Counter Sedatives					
El Paso	0.0%	3.9%	6.3%	93.7%	20.1
Other 6 Counties	0.6%	1.5%	1.9%	98.1%	17.2
Prescription Pain Relievers					
El Paso	0.0%	1.5%	11.8%	88.2%	17.4
Other 6 Counties	1.8%	5.7%	10.4%	89.6%	17.4
OTC Cough Syrup/Decongestant					
El Paso	0.0%	2.4%	9.6%	90.4%	16.8
Other 6 Counties	0.8%	1.9%	4.7%	95.3%	17.3

Table 50. Prevalence Use of Tobacco, Inhalants, and Other Drugs					
Age 26+	**Used Past Month**	**Past Year (Past Month included)**	**Ever Used**	**Never Used**	**Average at First Use**
Cigarette					
El Paso	15.3%	17.8%	59.3%	40.7%	17.4
Other 6 Counties	16.1%	18.5%	67.5%	32.5%	16.7
Other Tobacco (snuff, chewing tobacco, cigars, and pipes)					
El Paso	2.5%	3.2%	17.6%	82.4%	22.0
Other 6 Counties	5.3%	8.2%	31.9%	68.1%	21.5
Marijuana					
El Paso	1.5%	2.5%	20.5%	79.5%	19.4
Other 6 Counties	3.1%	4.7%	34.0%	66.0%	19.1
Crack/Cocaine					
El Paso	1.0%	1.7%	6.5%	93.5%	27.9
Other 6 Counties	0.4%	1.0%	9.5%	90.5%	24.0
Heroin					
El Paso	.	.	.	98.5%	25.5
Other 6 Counties	0.1%	0.1%	1.8%	98.2%	20.5

Table 50. Prevalence Use of Tobacco, Inhalants, and Other Drugs					
Age 26+	**Used Past Month**	**Past Year (Past Month included)**	**Ever Used**	**Never Used**	**Average at First Use**
Inhalants					
El Paso	0.0%	0.0%	2.3%	97.7%	21.5
Other 6 Counties	0.1%	0.1%	3.0%	97.0%	19.1
Hallucinogens					
El Paso	0.0%	0.0%	8.0%	92.0%	20.1
Other 6 Counties	0.1%	0.8%	9.9%	90.1%	19.9
Non-Prescription Stimulants					
El Paso	0.0%	0.0%	2.8%	97.2%	19.8
Other 6 Counties	0.2%	0.4%	6.6%	93.4%	19.9
Prescription Stimulants					
El Paso	0.0%	0.3%	1.6%	98.4%	22.2
Other 6 Counties	0.1%	0.4%	2.4%	97.6%	20.9
Over-the-Counter Stimulants					
El Paso	0.3%	0.8%	2.5%	97.5%	15.6
Other 6 Counties	0.2%	0.6%	4.1%	95.9%	21.5
Non-Prescription Sedatives					
El Paso	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	99.7%	20.0
Other 6 Counties	0.2%	0.2%	2.5%	97.5%	18.1
Prescription Sedatives					
El Paso	0.3%	0.3%	0.8%	99.2%	21.0
Other 6 Counties	0.7%	1.6%	4.0%	96.0%	31.3
Over-the-Counter Sedatives					
El Paso	0.5%	0.8%	2.1%	97.9%	26.8
Other 6 Counties	0.7%	1.4%	2.6%	97.4%	24.4
Prescription Pain Relievers					
El Paso	0.0%	1.0%	2.5%	97.5%	29.0
Other 6 Counties	0.3%	0.9%	3.6%	96.4%	23.1
OTC Cough Syrup/Decongestant					
El Paso	0.0%	0.7%	0.7%	99.3%	5.0
Other 6 Counties	0.1%	0.5%	1.9%	98.1%	29.2

Table 51. Prevalence Use of Tobacco, Inhalants, and Other Drugs					
Total 18+	**Used Past Month**	**Past Year (Past Month included)**	**Ever Used**	**Never Used**	**Average at First Use**
Cigarette					
El Paso	20.0%	22.5%	59.4%	40.6%	16.9
Other 6 Counties	17.6%	21.0%	65.4%	34.6%	16.5
Other (snuff, chewing tobacco, cigars, and pipes)					
El Paso	2.5%	4.3%	18.6%	81.4%	20.9
Other 6 Counties	5.5%	8.7%	29.9%	70.1%	21.0
Marijuana					
El Paso	3.8%	5.9%	24.7%	75.3%	18.1
Other 6 Counties	5.2%	7.4%	34.5%	65.5%	18.5
Crack/Cocaine					
El Paso	1.6%	3.2%	10.3%	89.7%	22.2
Other 6 Counties	0.5%	1.5%	9.6%	90.4%	22.7
Heroin					
El Paso	.	.	.	98.8%	25.5
Other 6 Counties	0.1%	0.1%	1.9%	98.1%	19.9
Inhalants					
El Paso	0.0%	0.0%	3.2%	96.8%	18.8
Other 6 Counties	0.1%	0.3%	3.2%	96.8%	18.1
Hallucinogens					
El Paso	0.0%	0.5%	8.9%	91.1%	19.1
Other 6 Counties	0.3%	1.4%	10.7%	89.3%	19.2
Non-Prescription Stimulants					
El Paso	0.0%	0.3%	3.5%	96.5%	18.8
Other 6 Counties	0.2%	0.5%	6.1%	93.9%	19.6
Prescription Stimulants					
El Paso	0.0%	0.2%	2.5%	97.5%	20.5
Other 6 Counties	0.2%	0.6%	2.8%	97.2%	19.8
Over-the-Counter Stimulants					
El Paso	0.2%	0.6%	2.5%	97.5%	15.5
Other 6 Counties	0.3%	0.9%	4.2%	95.8%	20.9

Table 51. Prevalence Use of Tobacco, Inhalants, and Other Drugs					
Total 18+	**Used Past Month**	**Past Year (Past Month included)**	**Ever Used**	**Never Used**	**Average at First Use**
Non-Prescription Sedatives					
El Paso	0.0%	0.0%	1.2%	98.8%	16.7
Other 6 Counties	0.2%	0.4%	2.5%	97.5%	18.0
Prescription Sedatives					
El Paso	0.2%	1.0%	1.4%	98.6%	20.4
Other 6 Counties	0.8%	1.8%	4.3%	95.7%	28.3
Over-the-Counter Sedatives					
El Paso	0.4%	1.4%	2.9%	97.1%	23.7
Other 6 Counties	0.7%	1.4%	2.5%	97.5%	23.2
Prescription Pain Relievers					
El Paso	0.0%	1.1%	4.3%	95.7%	22.9
Other 6 Counties	0.6%	1.7%	4.7%	95.3%	21.0
OTC Cough Syrup/Decongestant					
El Paso	0.0%	1.1%	2.5%	97.5%	13.9
Other 6 Counties	0.3%	0.7%	2.4%	97.6%	25.2

Table 52. Drug Abuse or Drug Dependence by Area: Total Age 18+		
Drug Abuse or Drug Dependence	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
Not Abused/Dependent	96.6%	95.8%
Abused/Dependent	3.4%	4.2%

Table 53. Drug Abuse or Drug Dependence by Age		
El Paso County		
Drug Abuse or Drug Dependence	Age	
Col Pct	18-25	26+
Not Abused/Dependent	89.8%	98.3%
Abused/Dependent	10.3%	1.8%

Table 54. Drug Abuse or Drug Dependence by Age		
Other 6 Counties		
Drug Abuse or Drug Dependence	Age	
Col Pct	18-25	26+
Not Abused/Dependent	87.4%	97.5%
Abused/Dependent	12.6%	2.5%

Table 55. Drug Abuse or Drug Dependence by Gender: Total Age 18+		
El Paso County		
Drug Abuse or Drug Dependence	Gender	
Col Pct	Male	Female
Not Abused/Dependent	94.6%	98.5%
Abused/Dependent	5.4%	1.6%

Table 56. Drug Abuse or Drug Dependence by Gender: Total Age 18+		
Other 6 Counties		
Drug Abuse or Drug Dependence	Gender	
Col Pct	Male	Female
Not Abused/Dependent	93.9%	97.6%
Abused/Dependent	6.1%	2.4%

Table 57. Drug Abuse or Drug Dependence by Ethnicity: Total Age 18+			
El Paso County			
Drug Abuse or Drug Dependence	Ethnic/Race Group		
Col Pct	Anglo	Hispanic	African-American
Not Abused/Dependent	98.8%	95.6%	100.0%
Abused/Dependent	1.2%	4.4%	0.0%

Table 58. Drug Abuse or Drug Dependence by Ethnicity: Total Age 18+			
Other 6 Counties			
Drug Abuse or Drug Dependence	Ethnic/Race Group		
Col Pct	Anglo	Hispanic	African-American
Not Abused/Dependent	96.5%	95.6%	92.9%
Abused/Dependent	3.5%	4.4%	7.1%

Table 59. Driving Under the Influence of Drugs by Area: Total Age 18+		
Ever Driven Under Influence of Drugs or Rode with Person Under Influence of Drugs	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
No	91.1%	91.4%
Yes	8.9%	8.6%

Table 60. Driving Under the Influence of Drugs by Age		
El Paso County		
Ever Driven Under Influence of Drugs or Rode with Person Under Influence of Drugs	Age	
Col Pct	18-25	26+
No	79.2%	94.0%
Yes	20.8%	6.0%

Table 61. Driving Under the Influence of Drugs by Age		
Other 6 Counties		
Ever Driven Under Influence of Drugs or Rode with Person Under Influence of Drugs	Age	
Col Pct	18-25	26+
No	72.4%	95.1%
Yes	27.6%	4.9%

Table 62. Driving Under the Influence of Drugs by Gender: Total Age 18+		
El Paso County		
Ever Driven Under Influence of Drugs or Rode with Person Under Influence of Drugs	Gender	
Col Pct	Male	Female
No	85.4%	96.5%
Yes	14.6%	3.5%

Table 63. Driving Under the Influence of Drugs by Gender: Total Age 18+		
Other 6 Counties		
Ever Driven Under Influence of Drugs or Rode with Person Under Influence of Drugs	Gender	
Col Pct	Male	Female
No	88.5%	94.2%
Yes	11.6%	5.8%

Table 64. Driving Under the Influence of Drugs by Ethnicity: Total Age 18+			
El Paso County			
Ever Driven Under Influence of Drugs or Rode with Person Under Influence of Drugs	Ethnic/Race Group		
Col Pct	Anglo	Hispanic	African-American
No	95.6%	89.4%	90.9%
Yes	4.4%	10.6%	9.1%

Table 65. Driving Under the Influence of Drugs by Ethnicity: Total Age 18+			
Other 6 Counties			
Ever Driven Under Influence of Drugs or Rode with Person Under Influence of Drugs	Ethnic/Race Group		
Col Pct	Anglo	Hispanic	African-American
No	93.5%	90.6%	83.7%
Yes	6.5%	9.4%	16.3%

Table 66. Drug Related Problems by Area: Total Age 18+		
Drug Related Health, Psychological or Work/School/Home Problems	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
No	96.9%	98.3%
Yes	3.1%	1.7%

Table 67. Drug Treatment by Area: Total Age 18+		
Received or Made Effort to Get Drug Treatment	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
No	99.5%	99.0%
Yes	0.5%	1.0%

Table 68. Perceived Risk of Cigarette Use by Area: Total Age 18+		
Perception of Risk Involved with Smoking Ten or More Cigarettes a Day	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
No risk	3.3%	2.3%
Slight risk	3.9%	4.4%
Moderate risk	18.8%	22.9%
Great risk	74.1%	70.5%

Table 69. Perceived Risk of Marijuana Use by Area: Total Age 18+		
Perception of Risk Involved with Smoking Marijuana Once or Twice A Week	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
No risk	7.3%	8.1%
Slight risk	13.0%	17.2%
Moderate risk	20.1%	28.8%
Great risk	59.6%	45.9%

Table 70. Perceived Risk of Taking Someone Else's Prescription Drug by Area: Total Age 18+		
Perception of Risk Involved with Taking Someone Else's Prescription Medication	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
No risk	0.5%	1.4%
Slight risk	5.6%	8.3%
Moderate risk	14.0%	23.8%
Great risk	79.9%	66.5%

Table 71. Perceived Risk of OTC Medication Use by Area: Total Age 18+		
Perception of Risk Involved with Taking Higher Dose of Over-the-Counter Medication than Label Advises	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
No risk	0.2%	0.9%
Slight risk	5.4%	9.8%
Moderate risk	23.3%	28.6%
Great risk	71.1%	60.7%

Table 72. Source of Prescription Medications by Area: Total Age 18+		
Ever Bought Prescription Medications from Internet Seller or Online Pharmacy	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
Yes	4.3%	6.1%
No	95.8%	93.9%

Table 73. Source of Recreational Drugs by Area: Total Age 18+		
Ever Bought Recreational Drugs from Internet Seller or Online Pharmacy	Area	
Col Pct	El Paso	Other 6 Counties
Yes	0.6%	0.4%
No	99.4%	99.6%