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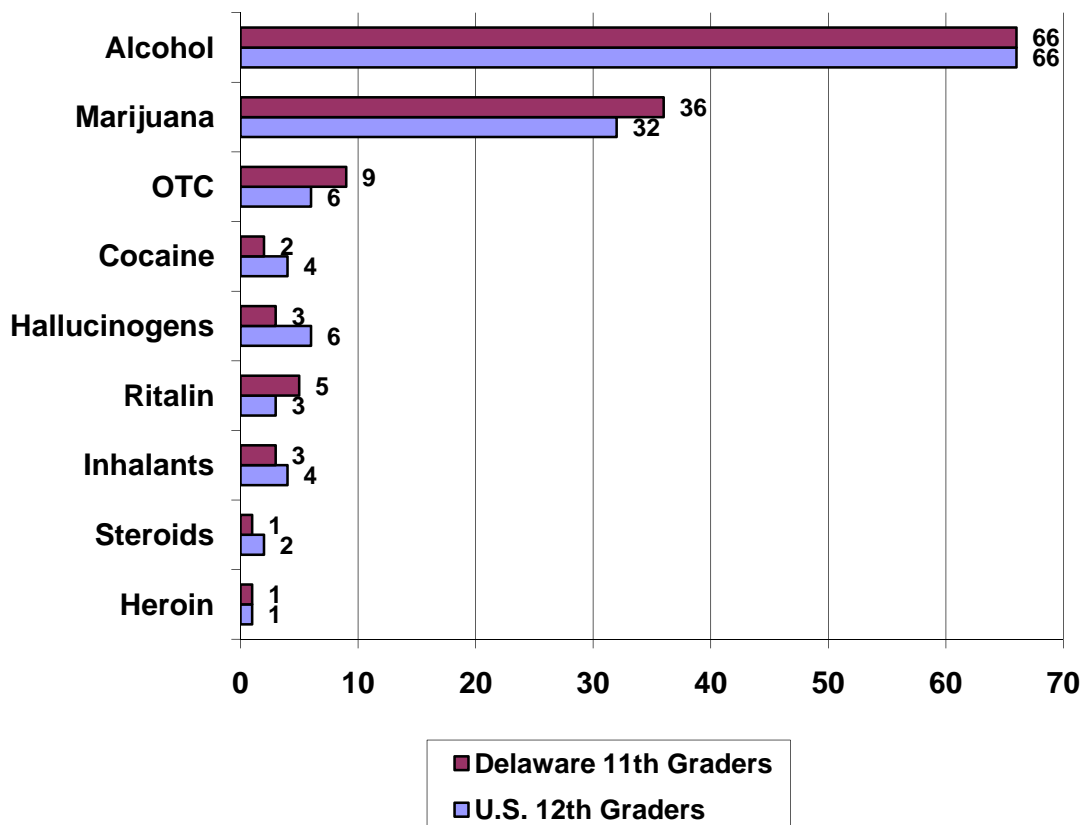
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Delaware Teens More Likely to Abuse Marijuana, Ritalin, and Over-the-Counter Drugs than National in 2008

Delaware teens are more likely to report abuse of marijuana, over-the-counter drugs, and ritalin than is reported nationally based on data from 2008, but are less likely to report use of cocaine and hallucinogens. The higher rates are especially noteworthy considering the age gap between the national survey and the Delaware data, as the national average is for 12th grade and the Delaware average is for 11th grade. Thus, it is likely the difference is even higher among Delaware 12th grade students. These differences continue trends found in previous years, indicating that Delaware's higher rates are a continuing problem.

Percentage of Students Reporting Past Year Use



Source: 2008 Monitoring the Future & 2008 Delaware School Survey, University of Delaware Center for Drug and Alcohol Studies

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