State Profile - Pennsylvania

National Survey of Substance Abuse Treatment Services (N-SSATS)

The National Survey of Substance Abuse Treatment Services (N-SSATS) is an annual survey of facilities providing substance abuse treatment, and is conducted by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). The N-SSATS is designed to collect data on the location, characteristics, services offered, and number of clients in treatment at alcohol and drug abuse facilities (both public and private) throughout the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and other U.S. jurisdictions. For more information on N-SSATS methodology, click here.

In **Pennsylvania,** 465 substance abuse treatment facilities responded to the 2003 N-SSATS, reporting that there were 37,928 clients in substance abuse treatment on March 31, 2003. The survey response rate in **Pennsylvania** was 97%.

Facility Ownership/Operation

	Facilities		Clients in Treatment on March 31, 2003			
			All Clients		Clients Under Age 18	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Private non-profit	336	72%	25,990	69%	2,153	72%
Private for-profit	115	25%	10,110	27%	801	27%
Local government	4	1%	293	1%	24	1%
State government	2	<1%	55	<1%	–	–
Federal government	8	2%	1,480	4%	–	–
Dept. of Veterans Affairs	8	2%	1,480	4%	–	–
Dept. of Defense	–	–	–	–	–	–
Indian Health Service	–	–	–	–	–	–
Other	–	–	–	–	–	–
Tribal government	–	–	–	–	–	–
Total	**465**	**100%**	**37,928**	**100%**	**2,978**	**100%**

Primary Focus of Facility

	Facilities		Clients in Treatment on March 31, 2003			
			All Clients		Clients Under Age 18	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Substance abuse treatment services	322	69%	28,953	76%	2,324	78%
Mental health services	27	6%	895	2%	117	4%
Mix of mental health & substance abuse treatment services	101	22%	6,795	18%	441	15%
General health care	9	2%	381	1%	22	1%
Other/unknown	6	1%	904	2%	74	3%
Total	**465**	**100%**	**37,928**	**100%**	**2,978**	**100%**

Substance Abuse Problem Treated

	Facilities[1]		Clients in Treatment on March 31, 2003		
			Clients		Clients per 100,000 Pop.
	No.	%	No.	%	Aged 18 and Over
Clients with both alcohol and drug abuse	403	93%	16,425	48%	179
Clients with drug abuse only	340	78%	12,857	37%	141
Clients with alcohol abuse only	335	77%	5,118	15%	56
Total[2]	**435**		**34,400**	**100%**	**376**

[1] Facilities may be included in more than one category.

[2] Excludes 30 facilities that were not asked or did not respond to this question.

Type of Care

	Facilities[1]		Clients in Treatment on March 31, 2003				
			All Clients			Clients Under Age 18	
	No.	%	No.	%	Median No. of Clients Per Facility	No.	%
Outpatient	**361**	**78%**	**32,625**	**86%**	**52**	**2,386**	**80%**
Regular outpatient	350	75%	18,637	49%	30		
Intensive outpatient	209	45%	4,763	13%	13		
Day treatment/partial hospitalization	94	20%	915	2%	6		
Detoxification	16	3%	515	1%	–		
Methadone/LAAM maintenance	32	7%	7,795	21%	251		
Residential	**138**	**30%**	**4,841**	**13%**	**22**	**587**	**20%**
Short term	76	16%	1,755	5%	17		
Long term	109	23%	2,801	7%	18		
Detoxification	43	9%	285	1%	5		
Hospital Inpatient	**28**	6%	462	1%	12	**5**	**<1%**
Rehabilitation	20	4%	300	1%	12		
Detoxification	26	6%	162	<1%	4		
Total	**465**		**37,928**	**100%**	**44**	**2,978**	**100%**

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Opioid Treatment Programs (OTPs)

	No.	%
Facilities with OTPs		
Maintenance only	28	62%
Detoxification only	11	24%
Both maintenance and detoxification	6	13%
Total	**45**	**100%**
Clients in Facilities with OTPs	9,413	
Methadone	9,254	
LAAM	159	

Type of Payment Accepted

	Facilities	
	No.	%
Cash or self-payment	433	93%
Private health insurance	337	73%
Medicare	161	35%
Medicaid	316	68%
Other State-financed health insurance	181	39%
Federal military insurance	142	31%
No payment accepted	6	1%
Other type of payment	17	4%
Sliding fee scale	263	57%
Treatment at no charge for clients who cannot pay	249	54%

Facility Capacity and Utilization Rate

	Residential	Hospital Inpatient
No. of facilities[1]	127	18
No. of clients	4,707	378
Designated beds	5,257	477
Utilization rate	90%	79%
Designated beds per facility (average)	41	27

[1] Excludes facilities not reporting both clients counts and number of beds, facilities whose client counts were reported by another facility, and facilities that included client counts from other facilities.

Facility Licensing, Approval, Certification, or Accreditation

	Facilities	
	No.	%
Any listed agency/organization	452	97%
State Substance Abuse Agency	400	86%
State Mental Health Department	111	24%
State Public Health Department/Board of Health	258	56%
Hospital licensing authority	41	9%
JCAHO (Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations)	141	30%
CARF (Rehabilitation Accreditation Commission)	14	3%
NCQA (National Committee for Quality Assurance)	24	5%
COA (Council for Accreditation for Children and Family Services)	15	3%
Other State/Local Agency/Organization	73	16%

Facility Administrative and Funding Characteristics

	Facilities	
	No.	%
Has agreements or contracts with managed care organizations for provision of substance abuse treatment services	399	86%
Receives Federal, State, county, or local government funds for substance abuse treatment programs	338	73%

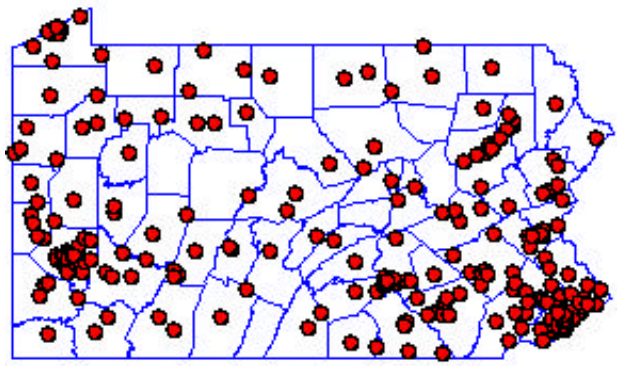
Programs for Special Groups

	Facilities No.	Facilities %
Any program or group	392	84%
Adolescents	157	34%
Dually-diagnosed	172	37%
Criminal justice clients	131	28%
Persons with HIV/AIDS	70	15%
Gays and lesbians	21	5%
Seniors/older adults	31	7%
Pregnant/postpartum women	57	12%
Women only	180	39%
Men only	138	30%
DUI/DWI offenders	137	30%
Other groups	62	13%

Types of Services Offered

	Facilities No.	Facilities %
Assessment Services	**453**	**97%**
Comprehensive substance abuse assessment/diagnosis	446	96%
Comprehensive mental health assessment/diagnosis	188	40%
Substance Abuse Therapy and Counseling	**462**	**99%**
Family counseling	379	82%
Group therapy	418	90%
Individual therapy	455	98%
Relapse prevention groups	384	83%
Aftercare counseling	378	81%
Pharmacotherapies	**93**	**20%**
Antabuse	59	13%
Naltrexone	66	14%
Buprenorphine	28	6%
Testing	**370**	**80%**
Breathalyzer or other blood alcohol testing	220	47%
Drug/alcohol urine screening	352	76%
Screening for Hepatitis B	119	26%
Screening for Hepatitis C	126	27%
HIV testing	195	42%
STD testing	125	27%
TB screening	165	35%
Transitional Services	**421**	**91%**
Assistance with obtaining social services	290	62%
Discharge planning	414	89%
Employment counseling/training	190	41%
Housing assistance	227	49%
Other Services	**412**	**89%**
Case management services	260	56%
Child care	41	9%
Domestic violence or family/partner violence services	136	29%
HIV/AIDS education/counseling/support	291	63%
Outcome follow-up after discharge	331	71%
Transportation assistance to treatment	168	36%
Acupuncture	3	1%
Residential beds for clients' children	16	3%

Location of Treatment Facilities



Use SAMHSA's Treatment Facility Locator to find the address and characteristics of specific facilities:
http://findtreatment.samhsa.gov

Services for the Hearing Impaired or in Languages Other than English

	Facilities No.	Facilities %
Hearing impaired/sign language	103	22%
Any language other than English	119	26%
Spanish	110	24%
American Indian/Alaska Native languages	2	<1%
Other	29	6%

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http://webapp.icpsr.umich.edu/cocoon/SAMHDA-SERIES/00058.xml

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