2005 State Profile - District of Columbia

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 **District of Columbia,** 49 substance abuse treatment facilities responded to the 2005 N-SSATS, reporting that there were 4,440 clients in substance abuse treatment on March 31, 2005. The survey response rate in **District of Columbia** was 95%.

Facility Ownership/Operation

	Facilities		Clients in Treatment on March 31, 2005			
			All Clients		Clients Under Age 18	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Private non-profit	28	57%	2,558	57%	168	53%
Private for-profit	11	22%	706	16%	140	44%
Local government	5	10%	611	14%	--	--
State government	2	4%	55	1%	9	3%
Federal government	3	6%	510	12%	--	--
Dept. of Veterans Affairs	2	4%	437	10%	--	--
Dept. of Defense	1	2%	73	2%	--	--
Indian Health Service	--	--	--	--	--	--
Other	--	--	--	--	--	--
Tribal government	--	--	--	--	--	--
Total	**49**	**100%**	**4,440**	**100%**	**317**	**100%**

Primary Focus of Facility

	Facilities		Clients in Treatment on March 31, 2005			
			All Clients		Clients Under Age 18	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Substance abuse treatment services	30	61%	3,061	69%	149	47%
Mental health services	1	2%	27	1%	25	8%
Mix of mental health & substance abuse treatment services	16	33%	892	20%	123	39%
General health care	1	2%	320	7%	20	6%
Other/unknown	1	2%	140	3%	--	--
Total	**49**	**100%**	**4,440**	**100%**	**317**	**100%**

Substance Abuse Problem Treated

	Facilities[1]		Clients in Treatment on March 31, 2005		
			Clients		Clients per 100,000 Pop.
	No.	%	No.	%	Aged 18 and Over
Clients with both alcohol and drug abuse	43	94%	1,608	37%	351
Clients with drug abuse only	41	89%	2,121	48%	450
Clients with alcohol abuse only	28	61%	641	15%	144
Total [2]	**46**		**4,370**	**100%**	**945**

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

[2] Excludes 3 facilities that were not asked or did not respond to this question.

Type of Care

	Facilities[1]		Clients in Treatment on March 31, 2005				
			All Clients			Clients Under Age 18	
	No.	%	No.	%	Median No. of Clients Per Facility	No.	%
Outpatient	**40**	**82%**	**3,817**	**86%**	**50**	**238**	**75%**
Regular outpatient	33	67%	1,054	24%	16		
Intensive outpatient	21	43%	512	12%	21		
Day treatment/partial hospitalization	11	22%	252	6%	10		
Detoxification	16	33%	196	4%	--		
Methadone	8	16%	1,803	41%	235		
Residential	**14**	**29%**	**521**	**12%**	**37**	**15**	**5%**
Short term	9	18%	116	3%	17		
Long term	12	25%	313	7%	18		
Detoxification	3	6%	92	2%	2		
Hospital Inpatient	**7**	**14%**	**102**	**2%**	**6**	**64**	**20%**
Treatment	6	12%	86	2%	7		
Detoxification	4	8%	16	<1%	4		
Total	**49**		**4,440**	**100%**	**54**	**317**	**100%**

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Opioid Treatment Programs (OTPs)

	No.	%
Facilities with OTPs		
Maintenance only	4	36%
Detoxification only	--	--
Both maintenance and detoxification	7	64%
Total	**11**	**100%**
Clients in Facilities with OTPs	**1,849**	
Methadone	1,843	
Buprenorphine	6	

Type of Payment Accepted

	Facilities	
	No.	%
Cash or self-payment	29	59%
Private health insurance	23	47%
Medicare	16	33%
Medicaid	21	43%
Other State-financed health insurance	12	25%
Federal military insurance	12	25%
No payment accepted	10	20%
Other type of payment	7	14%
Sliding fee scale	18	37%
Treatment at no charge for clients	34	69%

Facility Capacity and Utilization[1]

	Residential	Hospital Inpatient
No. of facilities	11	3
No. of clients	429	87
Designated beds	538	75
Utilization rate	80%	116%
Designated beds per facility (average)	49	75

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

Facility Licensing, Approval, Certification, or Accreditation

	Facilities	
	No.	%
Any listed agency/organization	46	94%
State substance abuse agency	35	71%
State mental health department	18	37%
State public health department/board of health	31	63%
Hospital licensing authority	7	14%
JCAHO (Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations)	11	22%
CARF (Rehabilitation Accreditation Commission)	16	33%
NCQA (National Committee for Quality Assurance)	5	10%
COA (Council for Accreditation for Children and Family Services)	1	2%
Other State/Local Agency/Organization	3	6%

Facility Administrative and Funding Characteristics

	Facilities	
	No.	%
Has agreements or contracts with managed care organizations for provision of substance abuse treatment services	14	29%
Receives Federal, State, county, or local government funds for substance abuse treatment programs	37	76%

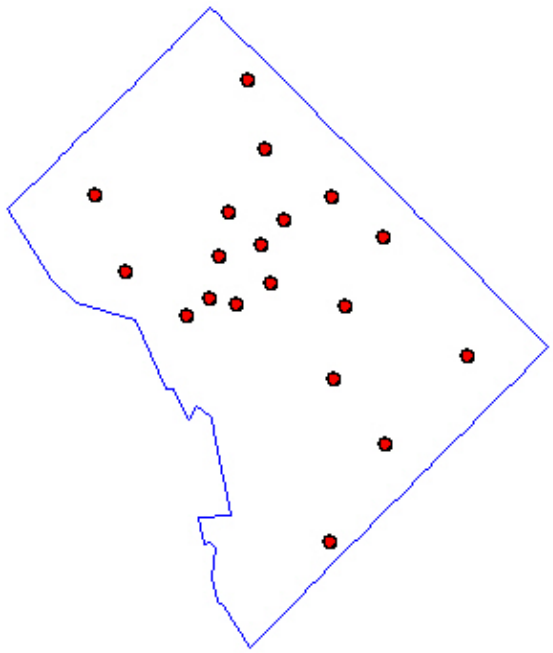
Programs for Special Groups

	Facilities No.	Facilities %
Any program or group	43	88%
Co-occuring disorders	25	51%
Adult women	20	41%
Adolescents	10	20%
DUI/DWI offenders	6	12%
Criminal justice clients	17	35%
Adult men	18	37%
Pregnant or postpartum women	5	10%
Persons with HIV or AIDS	14	29%
Seniors or Older Adults	6	12%
Gays or lesbians	7	14%
Other groups	4	8%

Types of Services Offered

	Facilities No.	Facilities %
Assessment Services	**46**	**94%**
Comprehensive substance abuse assessment or diagnosis	45	92%
Comprehensive mental health assessment or diagnosis	22	45%
Substance Abuse Therapy and Counseling	**49**	**100%**
Individual therapy	46	94%
Group therapy	46	94%
Relapse prevention	44	90%
Aftercare counseling	35	71%
Family counseling	29	59%
Pharmocotherapies	**18**	**37%**
Antabuse	8	16%
Buprenorphine (Subutex)	5	10%
Buprenorphine (Suboxone)	6	12%
Naltrexone	8	16%
Methadone	12	24%
Campral	7	14%
Testing	**49**	**100%**
Drug or alcohol urine screening	48	98%
Breathalyzer or blood alcohol testing	42	86%
TB screening	25	51%
HIV testing	25	51%
Screening for Hepatitis C	18	37%
Screening for Hepatitis B	19	39%
STD testing	20	41%
Transitional Services	**48**	**98%**
Discharge planning	44	90%
Assistance with obtaining social services	37	76%
Assistance in locating housing	38	78%
Employment counseling or training	20	41%
Other Services	**48**	**98%**
Case manangement services	46	94%
HIV or AIDS education, counseling, or support	34	69%
Outcome follow-up after discharge	32	65%
Transportation assistance to treatment	25	51%
Domestic violence	20	41%
Child care	5	10%
Acupuncture	1	2%
Residential beds for clients' children	2	4%

Location of Treatment Facilities



- Access N-SSATS profiles for individual States at: http://wwwdasis.samhsa.gov/webt/NewMapv1.htm
- For information on individual facilities, access SAMHSA's Treatment Facility Locator at: http://findtreatment.samhsa.gov

Services for the Hearing Impaired or in Languages Other than English

	Facilities No.	Facilities %
Sign language	16	33%
Any language other than English	25	51%
Staff counselor	10	40%
On-call interpreter	10	40%
Both staff counselor and on-call interpreter	5	20%
Spanish	15	31%
American Indian/Alaska Native languages	--	--
Other	4	8%

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Access the latest N-SSATS public use files at:
http://webapp.icpsr.umich.edu/cocoon/SAMHDA-SERIES/00058.xml

Other substance abuse reports are available at:
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