2005 State Profile - Alabama

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 **Alabama,** 133 substance abuse treatment facilities responded to the 2005 N-SSATS, reporting that there were 11,785 clients in substance abuse treatment on March 31, 2005. The survey response rate in **Alabama** was 96%.

Facility Ownership/Operation

	Facilities		Clients in Treatment on March 31, 2005			
			All Clients		Clients Under Age 18	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Private non-profit	72	54%	4,307	37%	451	77%
Private for-profit	39	29%	5,692	48%	126	21%
Local government	11	8%	1,244	11%	12	2%
State government	4	3%	136	1%	--	--
Federal government	7	5%	406	3%	--	--
Dept. of Veterans Affairs	5	4%	358	3%	--	--
Dept. of Defense	2	2%	48	<1%	--	--
Indian Health Service	--	--	--	--	--	--
Other	--	--	--	--	--	--
Tribal government	--	--	--	--	--	--
Total	**133**	**100%**	**11,785**	**100%**	**589**	**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	97	73%	10,509	89%	526	90%
Mental health services	18	14%	368	3%	31	5%
Mix of mental health & substance abuse treatment services	13	10%	640	5%	32	5%
General health care	2	2%	245	2%	--	--
Other/unknown	3	2%	23	<1%	--	--
Total	**133**	**100%**	**11,785**	**100%**	**589**	**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	106	87%	4,260	37%	114
Clients with drug abuse only	116	95%	6,427	55%	183
Clients with alcohol abuse only	98	80%	983	8%	26
Total [2]	**122**		**11,670**	**100%**	**323**

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

[2] Excludes 11 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	**113**	**85%**	**10,672**	**91%**	**45**	**459**	**78%**
Regular outpatient	61	46%	1,046	9%	15		
Intensive outpatient	76	57%	3,857	33%	31		
Day treatment/partial hospitalization	16	12%	217	2%	12		
Detoxification	14	11%	79	1%	1		
Methadone	19	14%	5,473	46%	230		
Residential	**30**	**23%**	**1,021**	**9%**	**26**	**107**	**18%**
Short term	16	12%	396	3%	22		
Long term	17	13%	518	4%	26		
Detoxification	7	5%	107	1%	15		
Hospital Inpatient	**8**	**6%**	**92**	**1%**	**4**	**23**	**4%**
Treatment	5	4%	61	1%	2		
Detoxification	8	6%	31	<1%	2		
Total	**133**		**11,785**	**100%**	**42**	**589**	**100%**

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Opioid Treatment Programs (OTPs)

	No.	%
Facilities with OTPs		
Maintenance only	8	42%
Detoxification only	--	--
Both maintenance and detoxification	11	58%
Total	**19**	**100%**
Clients in Facilities with OTPs	**5,569**	
Methadone	5,566	
Buprenorphine	3	

Type of Payment Accepted

	Facilities	
	No.	%
Cash or self-payment	128	96%
Private health insurance	82	62%
Medicare	36	27%
Medicaid	69	52%
Other State-financed health insurance	53	40%
Federal military insurance	51	38%
No payment accepted	2	2%
Other type of payment	2	2%
Sliding fee scale	69	52%
Treatment at no charge for clients	68	51%

Facility Capacity and Utilization[1]

	Residential	Hospital Inpatient
No. of facilities	27	5
No. of clients	951	86
Designated beds	893	135
Utilization rate	107%	64%
Designated beds per facility (average)	33	135

[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	127	96%
State substance abuse agency	89	67%
State mental health department	95	71%
State public health department/board of health	33	25%
Hospital licensing authority	12	9%
JCAHO (Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations)	34	26%
CARF (Rehabilitation Accreditation Commission)	20	15%
NCQA (National Committee for Quality Assurance)	3	2%
COA (Council for Accreditation for Children and Family Services)	1	1%
Other State/Local Agency/Organization	14	11%

Facility Administrative and Funding Characteristics

	Facilities	
	No.	%
Has agreements or contracts with managed care organizations for provision of substance abuse treatment services	34	26%
Receives Federal, State, county, or local government funds for substance abuse treatment programs	79	59%

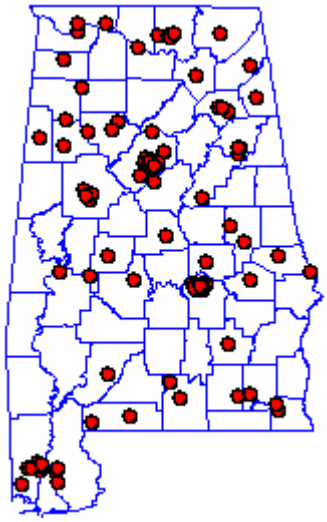
Programs for Special Groups

	Facilities	
	No.	%
Any program or group	95	71%
Co-occuring disorders	34	26%
Adult women	30	23%
Adolescents	31	23%
DUI/DWI offenders	20	15%
Criminal justice clients	24	18%
Adult men	22	17%
Pregnant or postpartum women	23	17%
Persons with HIV or AIDS	12	9%
Seniors or Older Adults	9	7%
Gays or lesbians	4	3%
Other groups	10	8%

Types of Services Offered

	Facilities	
	No.	%
Assessment Services	**119**	**89%**
Comprehensive substance abuse assessment or diagnosis	113	85%
Comprehensive mental health assessment or diagnosis	45	34%
Substance Abuse Therapy and Counseling	**131**	**98%**
Individual therapy	119	89%
Group therapy	123	92%
Relapse prevention	108	81%
Aftercare counseling	103	77%
Family counseling	105	79%
Pharmocotherapies	**44**	**33%**
Antabuse	14	11%
Buprenorphine (Subutex)	8	6%
Buprenorphine (Suboxone)	14	11%
Naltrexone	10	8%
Methadone	19	14%
Campral	19	14%
Testing	**112**	**84%**
Drug or alcohol urine screening	106	80%
Breathalyzer or blood alcohol testing	74	56%
TB screening	43	32%
HIV testing	42	32%
Screening for Hepatitis C	27	20%
Screening for Hepatitis B	29	22%
STD testing	25	19%
Transitional Services	**118**	**89%**
Discharge planning	113	85%
Assistance with obtaining social services	67	50%
Assistance in locating housing for clients	59	44%
Employment counseling or training for clients	36	27%
Other Services	**126**	**95%**
Case manangement services	77	58%
HIV or AIDS education, counseling, or support	94	71%
Outcome follow-up after discharge	108	81%
Transportation assistance to treatment	33	25%
Domestic violence	28	21%
Child care for clients' children	10	8%
Acupuncture	--	--
Residential beds for clients' children	3	2%

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.	%
Sign language	51	38%
Any language other than English	41	31%
Staff counselor	3	7%
On-call interpreter	34	83%
Both staff counselor and on-call interpreter	4	10%
Spanish	7	5%
American Indian/Alaska Native languages	--	--
Other	2	2%

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

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