2009 State Profile — Colorado
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. It is conducted by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). N-SSATS is designed to collect data on the location, characteristics, services offered, and number of clients in treatment at alcohol and drug abuse treatment facilities (both public and private) throughout the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and other U.S. jurisdictions.

More information on N-SSATS methodology is available at the following URL: http://oas.samhsa.gov/2k3/NSSATS/NSSATS.pdf

In Colorado, 413 substance abuse treatment facilities were included in the 2009 N-SSATS, reporting that there were 39,179 clients in substance abuse treatment on March 31, 2009. The survey response rate in Colorado was 93.2%.

Facility Operation

	Facilities		Clients in Treatment on March 31, 2009			
			All Clients		Clients Under Age 18	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Private non-profit	145	35.1	12,336	31.5	944	42.5
Private for-profit	238	57.6	22,897	58.4	1,071	48.2
Local government	5	1.2	247	0.6	44	2.0
State government	18	4.4	2,002	5.1	140	6.3
Federal government	6	1.5	1,397	3.6	0	0.0
Dept. of Veterans Affairs	3	0.7	1,034	2.6	0	0.0
Dept. of Defense	2	0.5	343	0.9	0	0.0
Indian Health Service	1	0.2	20	0.1	0	0.0
Other	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Tribal government	1	0.2	300	0.8	22	1.0
Total	**413**	**100.0**	**39,179**	**100.0**	**2,221**	**100.0**

Primary Focus of Facility

	Facilities		Clients in Treatment on March 31, 2009			
			All Clients		Clients Under Age 18	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Substance abuse treatment services	237	57.4	23,503	60.0	1,271	57.2
Mental health services	25	6.1	1,518	3.9	160	7.2
Mix of mental health & substance abuse treatment services	143	34.6	13,149	33.6	771	34.7
General health care	4	1.0	917	2.3	16	0.7
Other/unknown	4	1.0	92	0.2	3	0.1
Total	**413**	**100.0**	**39,179**	**100.0**	**2,221**	**100.0**

Substance Abuse Problem Treated

	Facilities[1, 2]		Clients in Treatment on March 31, 2009		
			Clients[3]		Clients per 100,000 Pop. Aged 18 and Over
	No.	%	No.	%	
Clients with both alcohol and drug abuse	351	93.1	15,954	41.0	389
Clients with drug abuse only	285	75.6	7,637	19.6	191
Clients with alcohol abuse only	339	89.9	15,285	39.3	386
Total[2]	**377**		**38,876**	**100.0**	**965**

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

[2] Facilities excluded because they were not asked or did not respond to this question: 36

[3] Sum of individual items may not agree with the total due to rounding.

Type of Care	Facilities[1]		Clients in Treatment on March 31, 2009				
			All Clients			Clients Under Age 18	
	No.	%	No.	%	Median No. of Clients Per Facility	No.	%
Outpatient	**374**	**90.6**	**37,713**	**96.3**	**56**	**1,969**	**88.7**
Regular outpatient	366	88.6	33,738	86.1	50		
Intensive outpatient	192	46.5	2,386	6.1	4		
Day treatment/partial hospitalization	18	4.4	105	0.3	<1		
Detoxification	17	4.1	121	0.3	<1		
Methadone/buprenorphine	11	2.7	1,363	3.5	128		
Residential	**56**	**13.6**	**1,374**	**3.5**	**21**	**245**	**11.0**
Short term	29	7.0	488	1.2	12		
Long term	36	8.7	739	1.9	17		
Detoxification	14	3.4	147	0.4	6		
Hospital Inpatient	**9**	**2.2**	**92**	**0.2**	**8**	**7**	**0.3**
Rehabilitation	7	1.7	60	0.2	4		
Detoxification	6	1.5	32	0.1	4		
Total	**413**		**39,179**	**100.0**	**50**	**2,221**	**100.0**

[1]Facilities may provide more than one type of care.

Opioid Treatment Programs (OTPs)

	No.	%[1]
Facilities with OTPs	**9**	**0.7**
Clients in Facilities with OTPs		
Methadone	1,324	97.7
Buprenorphine	31	2.3
Total	**1,355**	**100.0**

[1] Percentage of all OTP facilities that are in this state.

Facility Payment Options

	Facilities[1]	
	No.	%
Cash or self-payment	393	95.2
Private health insurance	176	42.6
Medicare	52	12.6
Medicaid	159	38.5
Other State-financed health insurance	57	13.8
Federal military insurance	85	20.6
Access to Recovery (ATR) vouchers[2]	0	0.0
No payment accepted	5	1.2
Accepts other payments	10	2.4
Sliding fee scale	283	68.5
Treatment at no charge for clients who cannot pay	119	28.8

[1] Facilities may accept more than one type of payment.

[2] Available only in AK, AZ, CA, CO, CT, DC, FL, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, LA, MI, MO, MT, NJ, NM, OH, OK, RI, TN, TX, WA, WI, WY .

Facility Licensing, Approval, Certification, or Accreditation

	Facilities[1]	
	No.	%
Any listed agency/organization	406	98.3
State substance abuse agency	398	96.4
State mental health department	132	32.0
State department of health	120	29.1
Hospital licensing authority	12	2.9
The Joint Commision	26	6.3
CARF[2]	17	4.1
NCQA[3]	6	1.5
COA[4]	8	1.9
Other State/Local Agency/Org	35	8.5

[1] Facilities may be licensed by more than one agency/organization.

[2] Commission on Accreditation of Rehailitation Facilities

[3] National Committee for Quality Assurance

[4] Council for Accreditation

Facility Funding

	Facilities	
	No.	%
Receives Federal, State, county, or local government funds for substance abuse treatment programs	186	45.0

Types of Services Offered	Facilities No.	Facilities %
Assessment and Pre-Treatment Services	**401**	**97.1**
Screening for substance abuse	390	94.4
Screening for mental health disorders	248	60.0
Comprehensive substance abuse assessment/diagnosis	357	86.4
Comprehensive mental health assessment/diagnosis	179	43.3
Outreach to persons in the community who may need treatment	161	39.0
Interim services for clients when immediate admission is not possible	159	38.5
Testing	**366**	**88.6**
Breathalyzer/blood alcohol testing	341	82.6
Drug or alcohol urine screening	314	76.0
Screening for Hepatitis B	91	22.0
Screening for Hepatitis C	98	23.7
HIV testing	45	10.9
STD testing	33	8.0
TB screening	110	26.6
Counseling	**412**	**99.8**
Individual counseling	378	91.5
Group counseling	400	96.9
Family counseling	248	60.0
Marital/couples counseling	199	48.2
Transitional Services	**378**	**91.5**
Discharge planning	363	87.9
Aftercare/continuing care	315	76.3
Pharmocotherapies	**263**	**63.7**
Medications for psychiatric disorders	92	22.3
Nicotine replacement	59	14.3
Campral®	93	22.5
Antabuse®	233	56.4
Naltrexone	112	27.1
Buprenorphine	26	6.3
Subutex®	15	3.6
Suboxone®	24	5.8
Methadone	16	3.9
Ancillary Services	**400**	**96.9**
Case management services	308	74.6
Social skills development	236	57.1
Mentoring/peer support	154	37.3
Child care for clients' children	18	4.4
Assistance with obtaining social services	124	30.0
Employment counseling or training for clients	92	22.3
Assistance in locating housing for clients	88	21.3
Domestic violence	153	37.0
Early intervention for HIV	45	10.9
HIV or AIDS education, counseling, or support	134	32.4
Health education other than HIV/AIDS	99	24.0
Substance abuse education	383	92.7
Transportation assistance to treatment	73	17.7
Mental health services	237	57.4
Acupuncture	14	3.4
Residential beds for clients' children	8	1.9
Self-help groups	103	24.9

Clinical/Therapeutic Approaches Used Often or Sometimes	Facilities No.	Facilities %
Substance abuse counseling	409	99.0
Relapse prevention	402	97.3
Cognitive-behavioral therapy	392	94.9
12-step facilitation	206	49.9
Motivational interviewing	354	85.7
Anger management	351	85.0

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Clinical/Therapeutic Approaches Used Often or Sometimes (cont.)	Facilities No.	Facilities %
Brief intervention	274	66.3
Contingency management	220	53.3
Trauma-related counseling	255	61.7
Rational emotive behavioral therapy	168	40.7
Matrix model	134	32.4
Community reinforcement plus vouchers	100	24.2
Other treatment approaches	83	20.1

Facility Capacity and Utilization Rate[1]

	Residential	Hospital Inpatient
Number of facilities	46	4
Number of clients	1,151	61
Number of designated beds	1,327	68
Utilization rate (%)	86.7	89.7
No. of designated beds/facility (avg.)	29	17

[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

Programs for Special Groups

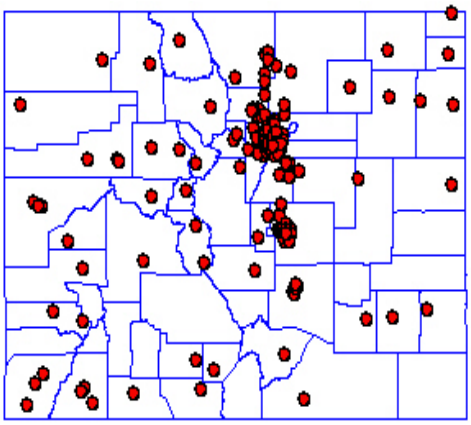
	Facilities No.	Facilities %
Any program or group	394	95.4
Co-occurring disorders	134	32.4
Adult women	131	31.7
Adolescents	176	42.6
DUI/DWI offenders	287	69.5
Criminal justice clients	231	55.9
Adult men	100	24.2
Pregnant or postpartum women	48	11.6
Persons with HIV or AIDS	24	5.8
Seniors or older adults	30	7.3
Gays or lesbians	40	9.7
Other groups	48	11.6

Services for the Hearing Impaired and in Languages Other than English

	Facilities No.	Facilities %
Hearing impaired/sign language	59	14.3
Any language other than English	131	31.7
Services Provided by:		
On-call interpreter	12	9.2
Staff counselor	95	72.5
Both staff counselor and on-call interpreter	24	18.3
Languages Provided by Staff Counselor:[1]		
Spanish	113	95.0
American Indian/Alaska Native languages	2	1.7
Other	18	15.1

[1] Percentages based on the number of facilities providing substance abuse treatment in a language other than English by a staff counselor.

Location of Treatment Facilities



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