

# Georgia

## 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 **Georgia**, 263 substance abuse treatment facilities responded to the 2002 N-SSATS, reporting that there were 18,973 clients in substance abuse treatment on March 29, 2002. The survey response rate in **Georgia** was 95%.

<b>Facility Ownership/Operation</b>			<b>Clients in Treatment on March 29, 2002</b>					
	<b>Facilities</b>		<b>All Clients</b>		<b>Clients Under Age 18</b>			
	<b>No.</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>%</b>		
Private non-profit	79	30%	3,732	20%	187	19%		
Private for-profit	53	20%	5,137	27%	48	5%		
Local government	40	15%	2,482	13%	96	10%		
State government	79	30%	6,338	33%	642	65%		
Federal government	12	5%	1,284	7%	13	1%		
Dept. of Veterans Affairs	3	1%	492	3%	–	–		
Dept. of Defense	9	3%	792	4%	13	1%		
Indian Health Service	–	–	–	–	–	–		
Other	–	–	–	–	–	–		
Tribal government	–	–	–	–	–	–		
<b>Total</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>18,973</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>986</b>	<b>100%</b>		

<b>Primary Focus of Facility</b>			<b>Clients in Treatment on March 29, 2002</b>					
	<b>Facilities</b>		<b>All Clients</b>		<b>Clients Under Age 18</b>			
	<b>No.</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>%</b>		
Substance abuse treatment services	114	43%	8,193	43%	258	26%		
Mental health services	22	8%	355	2%	60	6%		
General health care	9	3%	154	1%	6	1%		
Mix of mental health & substance abuse treatment services	110	42%	9,569	50%	632	64%		
Other/unknown	8	3%	702	4%	30	3%		
<b>Total</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>18,973</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>986</b>	<b>100%</b>		

<b>Substance Abuse Problem Treated</b>			<b>Clients in Treatment on March 29, 2002</b>					
	<b>Facilities<sup>1</sup></b>		<b>Clients</b>		<b>Clients per 100,000 Pop.</b>			
	<b>No.</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Aged 18 and Over</b>			
Clients with both alcohol and drug abuse	227	92%	8,967	48%	130			
Clients with drug abuse only	194	79%	5,394	29%	82			
Clients with alcohol abuse only	195	79%	4,486	24%	65			
<b>Total<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>247</b>		<b>18,847</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>278</b>			

<sup>1</sup> Facilities may be included in more than one category.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes 16 facilities that were not asked or did not respond to this question.

Type of Care	Clients in Treatment on March 29, 2002						
	Facilities <sup>1</sup>		All Clients			Clients Under Age 18	
	No.	%	No.	%	Median No. of Clients Per Facility	No.	%
<b>Outpatient</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>80%</b>	<b>16,872</b>	<b>89%</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>838</b>	<b>85%</b>
Regular outpatient	190	72%	10,225	54%	18		
Intensive outpatient	112	43%	2,484	13%	13		
Day treatment/partial hospitalization	59	22%	1,065	6%	5		
Detoxification	53	20%	149	1%	0		
Methadone/LAAM maintenance	22	8%	2,949	16%	135		
<b>Residential</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>1,778</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>12%</b>
Rehabilitation	58	22%	1,554	8%	16		
Detoxification	24	9%	224	1%	10		
<b>Hospital Inpatient</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>3%</b>
Rehabilitation	15	6%	127	1%	10		
Detoxification	32	12%	196	1%	4		
<b>Total</b>	<b>263</b>		<b>18,973</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>986</b>	<b>100%</b>

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Opioid Treatment Programs (OTPs)		
	No.	%
<b>Facilities with OTPs</b>		
Maintenance only	5	22%
Detoxification only	–	–
Both maintenance and detoxification	18	78%
<b>Total</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>Clients in Facilities with OTPs</b>	<b>3,128</b>	
Methadone	3,119	
LAAM	9	

Type of Payment Accepted		
	Facilities	
	No.	%
Cash or self-payment	239	91%
Private health insurance	183	70%
Medicare	128	49%
Medicaid	155	59%
Other State-financed health insurance	87	33%
Federal military insurance	106	40%
Other type of payment	12	5%
Sliding fee scale	178	68%
Other payment assistance	66	25%

Facility Capacity and Utilization Rate		
	Residential	Hospital Inpatient
No. of facilities <sup>1</sup>	61	30
No. of clients	1,681	298
Designated beds	1,634	456
Utilization rate	103%	65%
Designated beds per facility (average)	27	15

<sup>1</sup> 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	253	96%
State Substance Abuse Agency	188	72%
State Mental Health Department	108	41%
State Public Health Department/Board of Health	70	27%
Hospital licensing authority	27	10%
JCAHO (Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations)	121	46%
CARF (Rehabilitation Accreditation Commission)	78	30%
NCQA (National Committee for Quality Assurance)	7	3%
COA (Council for Accreditation for Children and Family Services)	4	2%
Other State/Local Agency/Organization	22	8%

Facility Administrative and Funding Characteristics		
	Facilities	
	No.	%
Is part of organization with multiple facilities or sites	183	70%
Has agreements or contracts with managed care organizations for provision of substance abuse treatment services	78	30%
Receives Federal, State, county, or local government funds for substance abuse treatment programs	176	67%

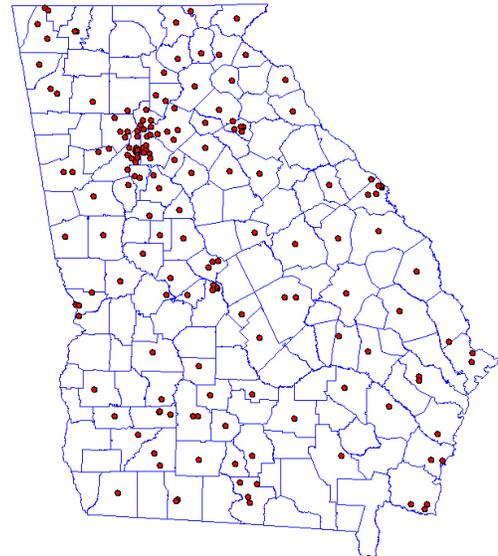
## Programs for Special Groups

	Facilities	
	No.	%
Dually-diagnosed	143	54%
Adolescents	84	32%
Persons with HIV/AIDS	63	24%
Gays and lesbians	35	13%
Pregnant/postpartum women	48	18%
Women only	89	34%
Men only	64	24%
Seniors/older adults	35	13%
Criminal justice clients	73	28%
DUI/DWI offenders	103	39%
Other groups	8	3%

## Types of Services Offered

	Facilities	
	No.	%
<b>Assessment Services</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>95%</b>
Comprehensive substance abuse assessment/diagnosis	243	92%
Comprehensive mental health assessment/diagnosis	166	63%
<b>Substance Abuse Therapy and Counseling</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>99%</b>
Family counseling	194	74%
Group therapy	242	92%
Individual therapy	240	91%
Relapse prevention groups	218	83%
Aftercare counseling	187	71%
<b>Pharmacotherapies</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>38%</b>
Antabuse	96	37%
Naltrexone	50	19%
<b>Testing</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>95%</b>
Blood alcohol testing	146	56%
Drug/alcohol urine screening	249	95%
Hepatitis testing	112	43%
HIV testing	160	61%
STD testing	151	57%
TB screening	186	71%
<b>Transitional Services</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>95%</b>
Assistance with obtaining social services	145	55%
Discharge planning	228	87%
Employment counseling/training	117	45%
Housing assistance	88	34%
Referral to other transitional services	222	84%
<b>Other Services</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>90%</b>
Case management services	193	73%
Child care	22	8%
Domestic violence or family/partner violence services	85	32%
HIV/AIDS education/counseling/support	161	61%
Outcome follow-up (post-discharge)	143	54%
Transportation assistance to treatment	99	38%
Acupuncture	4	2%

## 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.	%
Hearing impaired	72	27%
Spanish	72	27%
American Indian/Alaska Native languages	6	2%
Other	32	12%

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

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