

North Carolina

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 **North Carolina**, 283 substance abuse treatment facilities responded to the 2002 N-SSATS, reporting that there were 27,758 clients in substance abuse treatment on March 29, 2002. The survey response rate in **North Carolina** was 96%.

Facility Ownership/Operation			Clients in Treatment on March 29, 2002					
	Facilities		All Clients		Clients Under Age 18			
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%		
Private non-profit	87	31%	7,557	27%	560	23%		
Private for-profit	81	29%	5,496	20%	150	6%		
Local government	85	30%	12,033	43%	1,405	57%		
State government	19	7%	1,992	7%	326	13%		
Federal government	10	4%	605	2%	15	1%		
Dept. of Veterans Affairs	3	1%	132	1%	–	–		
Dept. of Defense	6	2%	460	2%	2	<1%		
Indian Health Service	1	<1%	13	<1%	13	1%		
Other	–	–	–	–	–	–		
Tribal government	1	<1%	75	<1%	28	1%		
Total	283	100%	27,758	100%	2,484	100%		

Primary Focus of Facility			Clients in Treatment on March 29, 2002					
	Facilities		All Clients		Clients Under Age 18			
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%		
Substance abuse treatment services	155	55%	15,604	56%	1,076	43%		
Mental health services	16	6%	1,623	6%	139	6%		
General health care	9	3%	130	1%	–	–		
Mix of mental health & substance abuse treatment services	99	35%	10,273	37%	1,267	51%		
Other/unknown	4	1%	128	1%	2	<1%		
Total	283	100%	27,758	100%	2,484	100%		

Substance Abuse Problem Treated			Clients in Treatment on March 29, 2002					
	Facilities¹		Clients		Clients per 100,000 Pop.			
	No.	%	No.	%	Aged 18 and Over			
Clients with both alcohol and drug abuse	228	89%	13,754	50%	195			
Clients with drug abuse only	195	77%	7,582	27%	110			
Clients with alcohol abuse only	221	87%	6,328	23%	88			
Total²	255		27,664	100%	393			

¹ Facilities may be included in more than one category.

² Excludes 28 facilities that were not asked or did not respond to this question.

Type of Care

	Facilities ¹		Clients in Treatment on March 29, 2002				
			All Clients			Clients Under Age 18	
	No.	%	No.	%	Median No. of Clients Per Facility	No.	%
Outpatient	236	83%	26,088	94%	50	2,426	98%
Regular outpatient	221	78%	18,195	66%	33		
Intensive outpatient	141	50%	2,973	11%	10		
Day treatment/partial hospitalization	51	18%	495	2%	3		
Detoxification	51	18%	181	1%	0		
Methadone/LAAM maintenance	20	7%	4,244	15%	161		
Residential	61	22%	1,353	5%	10	53	2%
Rehabilitation	52	18%	1,222	4%	10		
Detoxification	22	8%	131	1%	5		
Hospital Inpatient	26	9%	317	1%	5	5	<1%
Rehabilitation	13	5%	187	1%	14		
Detoxification	21	7%	130	1%	3		
Total	283		27,758	100%	39	2,484	100%

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Opioid Treatment Programs (OTPs)

	No.	%
Facilities with OTPs		
Maintenance only	1	5%
Detoxification only	2	9%
Both maintenance and detoxification	19	86%
Total	22	100%
Clients in Facilities with OTPs	4,238	
Methadone	4,236	
LAAM	2	

Type of Payment Accepted

	Facilities	
	No.	%
Cash or self-payment	264	93%
Private health insurance	198	70%
Medicare	117	41%
Medicaid	151	53%
Other State-financed health insurance	113	40%
Federal military insurance	127	45%
Other type of payment	13	5%
Sliding fee scale	156	55%
Other payment assistance	71	25%

Facility Capacity and Utilization Rate

	Hospital	
	Residential	Inpatient
No. of facilities ¹	49	22
No. of clients	1,021	315
Designated beds	1,220	438
Utilization rate	84%	72%
Designated beds per facility (average)	25	20

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	269	95%
State Substance Abuse Agency	207	73%
State Mental Health Department	170	60%
State Public Health Department/Board of Health	48	17%
Hospital licensing authority	31	11%
JCAHO (Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations)	47	17%
CARF (Rehabilitation Accreditation Commission)	17	6%
NCQA (National Committee for Quality Assurance)	3	1%
COA (Council for Accreditation for Children and Family Services)	100	35%
Other State/Local Agency/Organization	55	19%

Facility Administrative and Funding Characteristics

	Facilities	
	No.	%
Is part of organization with multiple facilities or sites	186	66%
Has agreements or contracts with managed care organizations for provision of substance abuse treatment services	133	47%
Receives Federal, State, county, or local government funds for substance abuse treatment programs	166	59%

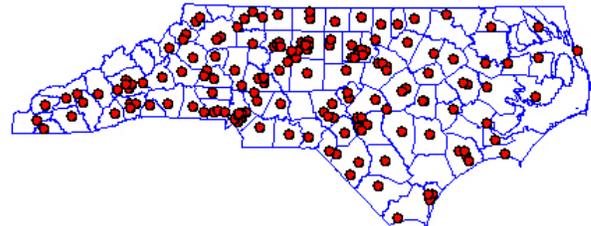
Programs for Special Groups

	Facilities	
	No.	%
Dually-diagnosed	138	49%
Adolescents	104	37%
Persons with HIV/AIDS	49	17%
Gays and lesbians	25	9%
Pregnant/postpartum women	69	24%
Women only	116	41%
Men only	73	26%
Seniors/older adults	44	16%
Criminal justice clients	110	39%
DUI/DWI offenders	168	59%
Other groups	13	5%

Types of Services Offered

	Facilities	
	No.	%
Assessment Services	271	96%
Comprehensive substance abuse assessment/diagnosis	270	95%
Comprehensive mental health assessment/diagnosis	133	47%
Substance Abuse Therapy and Counseling	278	98%
Family counseling	205	72%
Group therapy	257	91%
Individual therapy	262	93%
Relapse prevention groups	210	74%
Aftercare counseling	220	78%
Pharmacotherapies	80	28%
Antabuse	76	27%
Naltrexone	37	13%
Testing	242	86%
Blood alcohol testing	178	63%
Drug/alcohol urine screening	221	78%
Hepatitis testing	44	16%
HIV testing	50	18%
STD testing	39	14%
TB screening	111	39%
Transitional Services	256	90%
Assistance with obtaining social services	132	47%
Discharge planning	221	78%
Employment counseling/training	73	26%
Housing assistance	78	28%
Referral to other transitional services	233	82%
Other Services	253	89%
Case management services	208	74%
Child care	21	7%
Domestic violence or family/partner violence services	90	32%
HIV/AIDS education/counseling/support	121	43%
Outcome follow-up (post-discharge)	131	46%
Transportation assistance to treatment	85	30%
Acupuncture	4	1%

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	96	34%
Spanish	109	39%
American Indian/Alaska Native languages	5	2%
Other	18	6%

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

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