

State Profile - Puerto Rico

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 **Puerto Rico**, 181 substance abuse treatment facilities responded to the 2004 N-SSATS, reporting that there were 10,974 clients in substance abuse treatment on March 31, 2004. The survey response rate in **Puerto Rico** was 94%.

Facility Ownership/Operation			Clients in Treatment on March 31, 2004					
	Facilities		All Clients		Clients Under Age 18			
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%		
Private non-profit	141	78%	4,198	38%	217	26%		
Private for-profit	20	11%	746	6%	52	6%		
Local government	-	-	-	-	-	-		
State government	19	11%	5,420	49%	575	68%		
Federal government	1	1%	610	6%	-	-		
Dept. of Veterans Affairs	1	1%	610	6%	-	-		
Dept. of Defense	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Indian Health Service	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Tribal government	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Total	181	100%	10,974	100%	844	100%		

Primary Focus of Facility			Clients in Treatment on March 31, 2004					
	Facilities		All Clients		Clients Under Age 18			
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%		
Substance abuse treatment services	155	86%	9,103	83%	568	67%		
Mental health services	2	1%	5	<1%	5	1%		
Mix of mental health & substance abuse treatment services	22	12%	1,454	13%	271	32%		
General health care	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Other/unknown	2	1%	412	4%	-	-		
Total	181	100%	10,974	100%	844	100%		

Substance Abuse Problem Treated			Clients in Treatment on March 31, 2004					
	Facilities ¹		Clients		Clients per 100,000 Pop. Aged 18 and Over			
	No.	%	No.	%				
Clients with both alcohol and drug abuse	143	83%	1,291	12%	-			
Clients with drug abuse only	162	94%	8,264	75%	-			
Clients with alcohol abuse only	139	81%	1,419	13%	-			
Total²	172		10,974	100%	-			

¹ Facilities may be included in more than one category.

² Excludes 9 facilities that were not asked or did not respond to this question.

Type of Care

Clients in Treatment on March 31, 2004

	Facilities ¹		All Clients			Clients Under Age 18	
	No.	%	No.	%	Median No. of Clients Per Facility	No.	%
Outpatient	48	27%	6,312	58%	18	610	72%
Regular outpatient	30	17%	1,876	17%	5		
Intensive outpatient	21	12%	204	2%	3		
Day treatment/partial hospitalization	14	8%	379	4%	11		
Detoxification	15	8%	98	1%	3		
Methadone	6	3%	3,755	34%	653		
Residential	146	81%	4,222	39%	20	213	25%
Short term	19	11%	112	1%	2		
Long term	144	80%	3,818	35%	18		
Detoxification	34	20%	292	3%	8		
Hospital Inpatient	17	9%	440	4%	19	21	3%
Rehabilitation	13	7%	345	3%	20		
Detoxification	12	7%	95	1%	8		
Total	181		10,974	100%	21	844	100%

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Opioid Treatment Programs (OTPs)

	No.	%
Facilities with OTPs		
Maintenance only	4	57%
Detoxification only	1	14%
Both maintenance and detoxification	2	29%
Total	7	100%
Clients in Facilities with OTPs	3,914	
Methadone	3,914	
Buprenorphine	–	

Type of Payment Accepted

	Facilities	
	No.	%
Cash or self-payment	74	41%
Private health insurance	19	11%
Medicare	11	6%
Medicaid	10	6%
Other State-financed health insurance	8	4%
Federal military insurance	14	8%
No payment accepted	97	54%
Other type of payment	11	6%
Sliding fee scale	26	14%
Treatment at no charge for clients who cannot pay	156	86%

Facility Capacity and Utilization Rate

	Hospital	
	Residential	Inpatient
No. of facilities ¹	136	12
No. of clients	4,006	309
Designated beds	5,137	393
Utilization rate	78%	79%
Designated beds per facility (average)	38	33

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	177	98%
State substance abuse agency	165	91%
State mental health department	132	93%
State public health department/board of health	112	62%
Hospital licensing authority	13	7%
JCAHO (Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations)	14	8%
CARF (Rehabilitation Accreditation Commission)	16	9%
NCQA (National Committee for Quality Assurance)	5	3%
COA (Council for Accreditation for Children and Family Services)	1	1%
Other State/Local Agency/Organization	34	19%

Facility Administrative and Funding Characteristics

	Facilities	
	No.	%
Has agreements or contracts with managed care organizations for provision of substance abuse treatment services	36	20%
Receives Federal, State, county, or local government funds for substance abuse treatment programs	153	85%

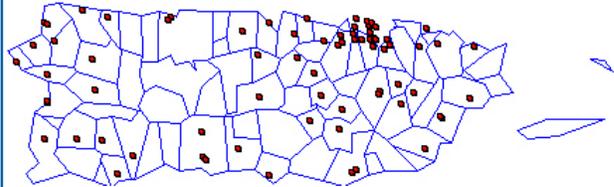
Programs for Special Groups

	Facilities	
	No.	%
Any program or group	159	88%
Adolescents	23	13%
Co-occurring disorders	35	19%
Criminal justice clients	48	27%
Persons with HIV or AIDS	54	30%
Gays and lesbians	16	9%
Seniors or older adults	24	19%
Women	30	17%
Pregnant or postpartum women	12	7%
Men	109	60%
DUI/DWI offenders	10	6%
Other groups	10	6%

Types of Services Offered

	Facilities	
	No.	%
Assessment Services	112	62%
Comprehensive substance abuse assessment or diagnosis	109	60%
Comprehensive mental health assessment or diagnosis	43	24%
Substance Abuse Therapy and Counseling	180	99%
Family counseling	171	94%
Group therapy	165	91%
Individual therapy	178	98%
Relapse prevention	94	52%
Aftercare counseling	72	40%
Pharmacotherapies	10	6%
Antabuse	4	2%
Naltrexone	10	6%
Buprenorphine	1	1%
Methadone	8	4%
Testing	167	92%
Breathalyzer or blood alcohol testing	35	19%
Drug or alcohol urine screening	159	88%
Screening for Hepatitis B	78	43%
Screening for Hepatitis C	73	40%
HIV testing	108	60%
STD testing	73	40%
TB screening	85	47%
Transitional Services	167	92%
Assistance with obtaining social services	140	77%
Discharge planning	71	39%
Employment counseling or training	63	35%
Assistance in locating housing	67	37%
Other Services	173	96%
Case management services	124	69%
Child care	9	5%
Domestic violence	28	15%
HIV or AIDS education, counseling or support	125	69%
Outcome follow-up after discharge	98	54%
Transportation assistance to treatment	132	73%
Acupuncture	8	4%
Residential beds for clients' children	5	3%

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/sign language	16	9%
Any language other than English	168	93%
Staff counselor	72	43%
On-call interpreter	75	45%
Both staff counselor and on-call interpreter	21	13%
Spanish	91	50%
American Indian/Alaska Native languages	–	–
Other	1	1%

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

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