

# State Profile - South 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 **South Carolina**, 102 substance abuse treatment facilities responded to the 2004 N-SSATS, reporting that there were 13,641 clients in substance abuse treatment on March 31, 2004. The survey response rate in **South Carolina** was 97%.

<b>Facility Ownership/Operation</b>			<b>Clients in Treatment on March 31, 2004</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	32	31%	3,915	29%	849	43%		
Private for-profit	28	28%	3,162	23%	97	5%		
Local government	27	27%	4,067	30%	667	34%		
State government	10	10%	2,400	18%	358	18%		
Federal government	5	5%	97	1%	-	-		
Dept. of Veterans Affairs	1	1%	-	-	-	-		
Dept. of Defense	4	4%	97	1%	-	-		
Indian Health Service	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Tribal government	-	-	-	-	-	-		
<b>Total</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>13,641</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>1,971</b>	<b>100%</b>		

<b>Primary Focus of Facility</b>			<b>Clients in Treatment on March 31, 2004</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	87	85%	13,059	96%	1,955	99%		
Mental health services	5	5%	277	2%	-	-		
Mix of mental health & substance abuse treatment services	9	8%	305	2%	16	1%		
General health care	1	1%	-	-	-	-		
Other/unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-		
<b>Total</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>13,641</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>1,971</b>	<b>100%</b>		

<b>Substance Abuse Problem Treated</b>			<b>Clients in Treatment on March 31, 2004</b>					
	<b>Facilities<sup>1</sup></b>		<b>Clients</b>		<b>Clients per 100,000 Pop. Aged 18 and Over</b>			
	<b>No.</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>%</b>				
Clients with both alcohol and drug abuse	74	90%	4,688	34%	135			
Clients with drug abuse only	76	92%	4,581	34%	138			
Clients with alcohol abuse only	69	84%	4,334	32%	119			
<b>Total<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>82</b>		<b>13,603</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>393</b>			

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

<sup>2</sup> Excludes 20 facilities that were not asked or did not respond to this question.

## Type of Care

### Clients in Treatment on March 31, 2004

	Facilities <sup>1</sup>		All Clients			Clients Under Age 18	
	No.	%	No.	%	Median No. of Clients Per Facility	No.	%
	<b>Outpatient</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>85%</b>	<b>13,019</b>	<b>95%</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>1,942</b>
Regular outpatient	72	71%	9,570	70%	107		
Intensive outpatient	52	51%	1,070	8%	11		
Day treatment/partial hospitalization	14	14%	89	1%	5		
Detoxification	13	13%	44	<1%	4		
Methadone	9	9%	2,246	17%	227		
<b>Residential</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>341</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>1%</b>
Short term	6	6%	96	1%	7		
Long term	16	16%	206	2%	12		
Detoxification	5	5%	39	<1%	7		
<b>Hospital Inpatient</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>1%</b>
Rehabilitation	15	15%	152	1%	5		
Detoxification	18	18%	129	1%	6		
<b>Total</b>	<b>102</b>		<b>13,641</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>1,971</b>	<b>100%</b>

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## Opioid Treatment Programs (OTPs)

	No.	%
<b>Facilities with OTPs</b>		
Maintenance only	3	33%
Detoxification only	–	–
Both maintenance and detoxification	6	64%
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>Clients in Facilities with OTPs</b>	<b>2,282</b>	
Methadone	2,282	
Buprenorphine	–	

## Type of Payment Accepted

	Facilities	
	No.	%
Cash or self-payment	92	90%
Private health insurance	81	79%
Medicare	25	25%
Medicaid	67	66%
Other State-financed health insurance	43	42%
Federal military insurance	45	44%
No payment accepted	6	6%
Other type of payment	6	6%
Sliding fee scale	42	41%
Treatment at no charge for clients who cannot pay	73	72%

## Facility Capacity and Utilization Rate

	Hospital	
	Residential	Inpatient
No. of facilities <sup>1</sup>	17	10
No. of clients	308	221
Designated beds	366	288
Utilization rate	84%	77%
Designated beds per facility (average)	22	29

<sup>1</sup> 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	94	92%
State substance abuse agency	54	53%
State mental health department	5	5%
State public health department/board of health	80	78%
Hospital licensing authority	9	9%
JCAHO (Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations)	15	15%
CARF (Rehabilitation Accreditation Commission)	65	64%
NCQA (National Committee for Quality Assurance)	4	4%
COA (Council for Accreditation for Children and Family Services)	1	1%
Other State/Local Agency/Organization	10	10%

## Facility Administrative and Funding Characteristics

	Facilities	
	No.	%
Has agreements or contracts with managed care organizations for provision of substance abuse treatment services	56	55%
Receives Federal, State, county, or local government funds for substance abuse treatment programs	61	60%

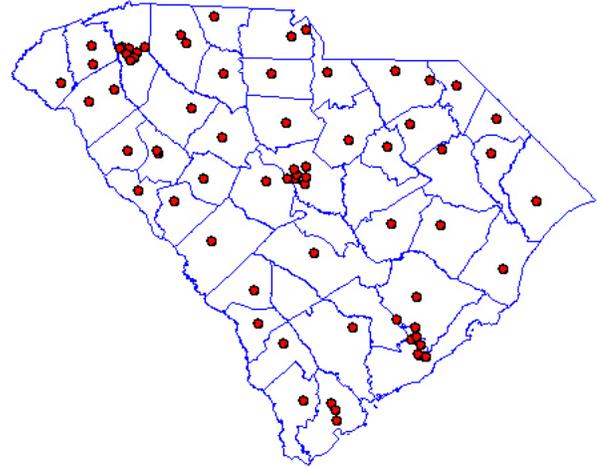
## Programs for Special Groups

	Facilities	
	No.	%
Any program or group	86	84%
Adolescents	51	50%
Co-occurring disorders	28	28%
Criminal justice clients	52	51%
Persons with HIV or AIDS	10	10%
Gays and lesbians	2	2%
Seniors or older adults	4	4%
Women	37	36%
Pregnant or postpartum women	20	20%
Men	16	16%
DUI/DWI offenders	52	51%
Other groups	11	11%

## Types of Services Offered

	Facilities	
	No.	%
<b>Assessment Services</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>98%</b>
Comprehensive substance abuse assessment or diagnosis	99	97%
Comprehensive mental health assessment or diagnosis	24	24%
<b>Substance Abuse Therapy and Counseling</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>98%</b>
Family counseling	92	90%
Group therapy	99	97%
Individual therapy	98	96%
Relapse prevention	93	91%
Aftercare counseling	87	85%
<b>Pharmacotherapies</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>16%</b>
Antabuse	8	8%
Naltrexone	6	6%
Buprenorphine	9	9%
Methadone	12	12%
<b>Testing</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>89%</b>
Breathalyzer or blood alcohol testing	61	60%
Drug or alcohol urine screening	88	86%
Screening for Hepatitis B	24	24%
Screening for Hepatitis C	22	22%
HIV testing	27	26%
STD testing	19	19%
TB screening	46	45%
<b>Transitional Services</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>95%</b>
Assistance with obtaining social services	63	62%
Discharge planning	94	92%
Employment counseling or training	32	31%
Assistance in locating housing	48	47%
<b>Other Services</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>93%</b>
Case management services	84	82%
Child care	11	11%
Domestic violence	38	37%
HIV or AIDS education, counseling or support	59	58%
Outcome follow-up after discharge	84	82%
Transportation assistance to treatment	31	30%
Acupuncture	1	1%
Residential beds for clients' children	5	5%

## 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	49	48%
Any language other than English	62	61%
Staff counselor	12	19%
On-call interpreter	37	60%
Both staff counselor and on-call interpreter	13	21%
Spanish	25	25%
American Indian/Alaska Native languages	–	–
Other	1	1%

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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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