

month methamphetamine users was 512,000 (0.2%).<sup>3</sup>

**Number\* of Persons Reporting Nonmedical Use of Methamphetamine, 2002-2005**

	2002	2003	2004	2005
Lifetime use	12,383	12,303	11,726	10,357
Past year use	1,541	1,315	1,440	1,297
Past month use	597	607	583	512
* Numbers are in thousands				

Among 12-17 year olds surveyed as part of the 2005 NSDUH, 0.3% reported past month methamphetamine use. Additional NSDUH results indicate that 0.6% of 18-25 year olds and 0.1% of those aged 26 or older reported past month use of methamphetamine.<sup>4</sup>

The 2005 NSDUH results also indicate that there were 192,000 persons aged 12 or older who had used methamphetamine for the first time within the past 12 months. This is a statistically significant reduction from 2004 when there were 318,000 past year methamphetamine initiates.<sup>5</sup>

Among students surveyed as part of the 2005 Monitoring the Future study, 3.1% of eighth graders, 4.1% of tenth graders, and 4.5% of twelfth graders reported lifetime use of methamphetamine. In 2004, these percentages were 2.5%, 5.3%, and 6.2%, respectively.<sup>6</sup>

**Percent of Students Reporting Methamphetamine Use, 2004-2005<sup>7</sup>**

	8th Grade		10th Grade		12th Grade	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
Past month	0.6%	0.7%	1.3%	1.1%	1.4%	0.9%
Past year	1.5	1.8	3.0	2.9	3.4	2.9
Lifetime	2.5	3.1	5.3	4.1	6.2	4.5

The Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance (YRBS) study by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) surveys high school students on several risk factors including drug and alcohol use. Results of the 2005 survey indicate that 6.2% of high school students reported using methamphetamine at some point in their lifetimes. This is down from 7.6% in 2003 and 9.8% in 2001.<sup>8</sup>

**Percent of Students Reporting Lifetime Meth Use, 2001-2005**

	2001	2003	2005
9th grade	8.1%	6.7%	5.7%
10th grade	9.7	7.5	5.9
11th grade	9.2	8.0	6.7
12th grade	12.8	8.0	6.4
Total	9.8	7.6	6.2

Approximately 4.1% of college students and 8.3% of young adults (ages 19-28) surveyed in 2005 reported lifetime use of methamphetamine.<sup>9</sup>