Marijuana Use Continues to Rise Among Students; Perceptions of Harm from Marijuana Use Continue to Decline

Recently released data from the 1994 Monitoring the Future Study show that marijuana use among 8th, 10th, and 12th grade students continues to rise. The percentage of students using marijuana within the past year has been increasing for all grade levels since 1992. At the same time, the percentage of students who believe that there is a "great risk" in the occasional use of marijuana has been decreasing.

As the Percentage of Students Who Believe Occasional Marijuana Use Is a "Great Risk" Decreases, The Percentage Who Used in the Past Year Increases

![Graphs showing the trend in marijuana use and perception of risk from 1991 to 1994 for 8th, 10th, and 12th grades.]


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