

# Past-year methamphetamine use 6.6 per 1,000 in 2015 to 2018

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adults during 2015 to 2018, according to research published in the March 27 issue of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report*.

Christopher M. Jones, Pharm.D., Dr.P.H., from the CDC in Atlanta, and colleagues used data from 171,766 adults participating in the 2015 to 2018 National Surveys on Drug Use and Health to estimate rates of methamphetamine use in the United States and identify characteristics associated with use in the past year.

The researchers found that the estimated rate of past-year methamphetamine use was 6.6 per 1,000 among adults during 2015 to 2018. An estimated 27.3 percent of [adults](#) reporting past-year methamphetamine use reported using on  $\geq 200$  days, while 52.9 and 22.3 percent had a methamphetamine use disorder and injected methamphetamine, respectively. After adjustment for other factors, the odds ratios for past-year use were increased among men; those aged 26 to 34, 35 to 49, and  $\geq 50$  years; and those with lower educational attainment, with annual household income

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