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Street Names

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EFFECTS

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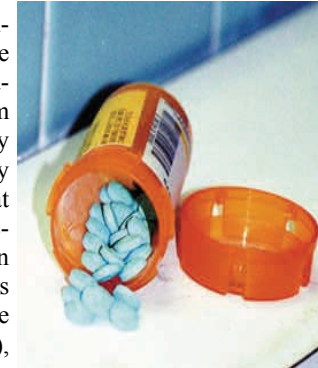
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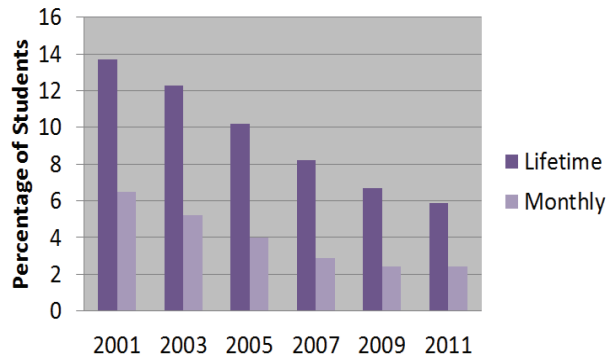
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INCIDENCE & PREVALENCE

According to the World Drug Report 2010, though amphetamine-groups substance use remain high in North America, a recent survey showed a decline in the use of amphetamines. Among the population aged 12 years and older, the annual prevalence of all stimulants use was reported as 1.5% in 2006, 1.2% in 2007, and 1.1% in 2008. Amongst 10th graders in Indiana there has been a gradual decrease in amphetamine use.

Prevalence of Amphetamines Among Indiana 10th Graders, 2001-2011



Source: IPRC 2011 ATOD Use By Children & Adolescents Survey*

LAW & CRIMINAL JUSTICE

According to the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, amphetamines are classified as Schedule II stimulants, which means they have a high potential for abuse and limited medical uses. Pharmaceutical products are available only through a prescription that cannot be refilled.

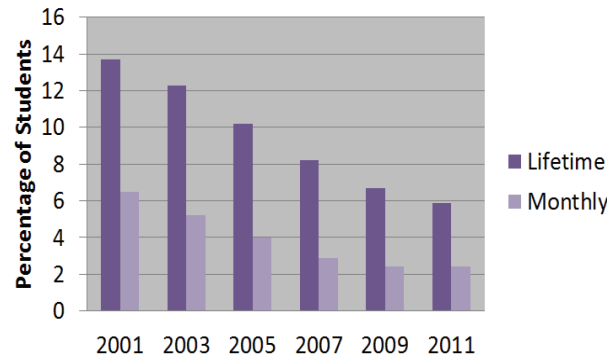
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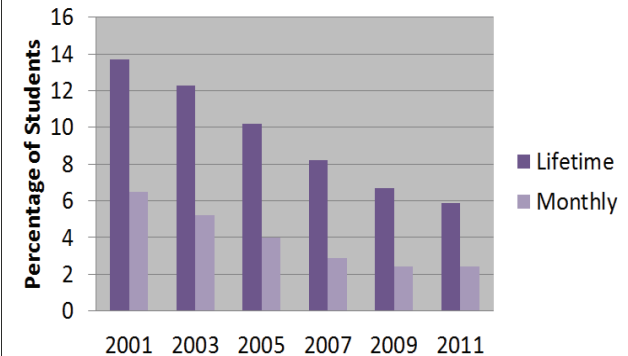
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