



# BALTIMORE: State of the City Profile

## CENSUS / DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

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| Balt/Wash Consolidated Metro Area (surrounding cities)..... | 7,608,070 |
| Baltimore Primary Metro Area (surrounding counties).....    | 2,552,994 |
| Baltimore County.....                                       | 754,292   |
| City of Baltimore .....                                     | 651,154   |

**Racial composition of Baltimore County:** white (74%), black (20%), Asian (3%), Other (2%), two or more (1%)  
**ETHNICITY:** Hispanic (of any race) 2%

## DRUG SITUATION & PREVALENCE

- **YOUTH PREVALENCE:** In Baltimore 8th and 10th graders had higher 30 day use rates for marijuana than their peer within the state or nationally, Marijuana past month use for 8th graders was 14.6%;10th graders, 22.4% and 12th graders 14.0%
- **ARRESTEES:** Baltimore is not currently an ADAM site; the Baltimore SANTA project indicates that 49% of male arrestees and 53% of female arrestees are drug dependent.
- **DEATHS:** Heroin/morphine deaths increased 27% (1997-99), then declined by 23% from 1999 to 2001. Cocaine deaths decreased by 18% between 1997 and 2001.
- **ER MENTIONS (1994-2001):** Heroin mentions decreased by 40%; cocaine decreased 44.5%; marijuana mentions increased 131.9%.
- **DRUG TYPE:** All indicators show that heroin remains the primary drug threat, although some declines in ED mentions demonstrate a possible trend change.

## FEDERAL DOLLARS

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- SAPT Block Grant: \$8.6M / \$8.3M
- CSAP Discretion: \$788K / \$1.0M
- CSAT Discretion: \$5.2M / \$5.6M

## TREATMENT UTILIZATION & CAPACITY

- 87 treatment providers in the city of Baltimore
  - 75 outpatient departments as a treatment modality
- Publicly-funded treatment in the City of Baltimore in '01:
  - 14,800 individuals for heroin (47% inhalation, 48% injection)
  - 2,100 individuals for cocaine (78% smoke, 11% inhalation)
  - 1,500 individuals for marijuana
  - 13 individuals for methamphetamine abuse
- Treatment Admissions (mode of admin) – Cocaine: 75% smoke, 7.9% snort; Heroin: 45% injected, 47% snort.
- There is no random drug testing program in Baltimore County Public Schools, although testing is applied to students in treatment.
- Three drug courts operating over two years and one family drug court being planned.

## MEDIA CAMPAIGN

- Advertising: \$1.3M total plus pro bono value match
  - \$1.0M share of national buy
  - \$65K multicultural advertising
  - \$230K local general market
- Non-Advertising: local SADD chapter lead "Wake Up Rally"

## PREVENTION Coalition

- HELPS Coalition
- Countywide Action Team to Fight Underage Drug Use

## LAW ENFORCEMENT

- Baltimore Police Department estimates that 40-60% of the city's homicides are drug-related. About 10,000 drug possession arrests annually.
- Dominican DTOs have greatest impact on the heroin/cocaine traffic
- HIDTA: Baltimore/Washington