ORANGE COUNTY IN TREATMENT

ORANGE COUNTY HEALTH CARE AGENCY
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
ALCOHOL & DRUG ABUSE SERVICES



Alcohol and Drug Abuse Services (ADAS) administers alcohol and other drug prevention, treatment, and recovery services in Orange County. ADAS works in partnership with California Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs (ADP) to reduce alcoholism, drug addiction and problem gambling in OC. The following data come from California Outcomes Measurement System – Treatment (CalOMS-Tx) for Orange County which collects client demographics and outcome data.

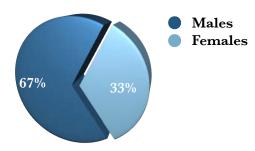
KEY FINDINGS OF THE STUDY INCLUDE:

From January 2006 through December 2008, there were 36,692 admissions to ADAS treatment system of care. The number of unduplicated clients admitted to treatment was 23,378.

The following summary provides information obtained from client admission records with the exclusion of detoxification services. Thus, the total used for the admissions graphs is 28,164 or an average (avg) of 9,388 admissions per year (some clients may have more than one admission).

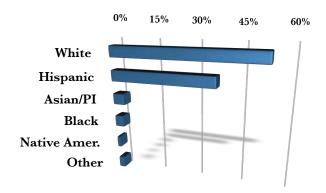
CLIENT DEMOGRAPHICS

On average, 67% of ADAS clients were male (avg=6,321/yr) and 33% female (avg=3,061/yr) over the 3-year period. About five clients per year were transgender.

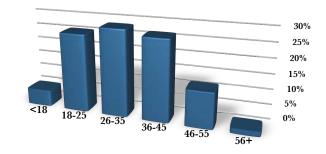


Over half of all admissions (53%) were to non-Hispanic Whites, followed by 37% Hispanic. Asian/

Pacific Islanders accounted for about 4% and African American/Black 3%. Multi-race/other combined for 2%, and American Indian/Alaskan Native less than 1% of all admissions.



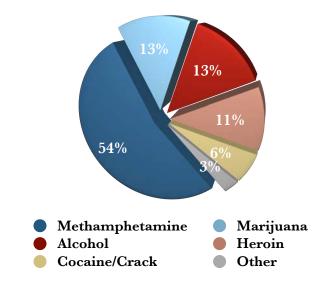
The majority of clients (81%) were adults aged 18-45 years. Teens made up about 5% of clients, while 46-55 year olds accounted for 12%. Adults 56 years and older made up only about 2% of all clients between 2006 and 2008.



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Referral source for almost half of clients (47%) was from SACPA Court/Probation (Prop 36). Court and self-referrals made up 18% and 14%, respectively. The balance of referrals came from other County agencies and organizations.

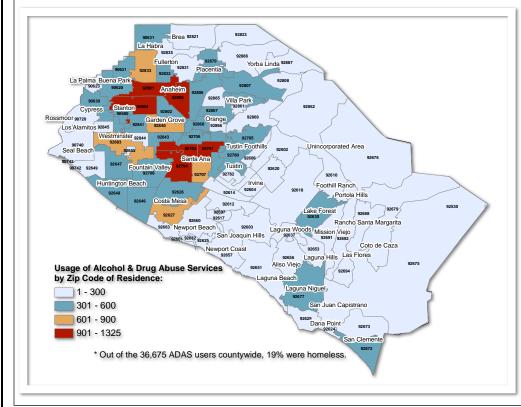
The primary drug of choice for over half (54%) of clients was methamphetamine. Marijuana and alcohol were tied for second at 13%, each. Heroin was the drug of choice for 11% and cocaine/crack for 6% of clients.



TREATMENT OUTCOMES

Matched admission/discharge pairs were extracted from the data set for 22,923 adults (18+). Adults in ADAS treatment showed improvement in all life domains. For example, the number of adults using drugs or having criminal justice involvement at discharge decreased compared to when they started treatment. More clients were employed and engaged in social support services that help them maintain their sobriety. Clients also reported fewer medical problems and having used fewer ER or hospital services.

LIFE DOMAIN	Оитсоме	% CHANGE
Drug Use	No Drug Use Past Month Used 1-20 days Used 21+ days	+38% -36% -61%
CRIMINAL INVOLVEMENT	Arrested In Jail In Prison	-62% -69% -73%
SOCIAL & ECONOMIC	Serious Family Conflict Used social support Employed	-31% +10% +18%
MEDICAL & HEALTH	Emergency Room Visit Hospital Stay Had Health Problems	-41% -40% -46%



GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION OF ADAS CLIENTS

A geographic analysis of the ZIP code of residence of all ADAS clients showed that admissions are concentrated in certain parts of Orange County. With the exception of three ZIP codes in south county, 54% of all ADAS clients reside in ZIP codes in the central, western, and northern regions. ZIP codes in parts of Santa Ana, Anaheim, Garden Grove, Westminster, and Costa Mesa in particular had large numbers of clients. Notably, 19% of ADAS clients were homeless at admission while about half as many (10%) remained homeless at discharge.