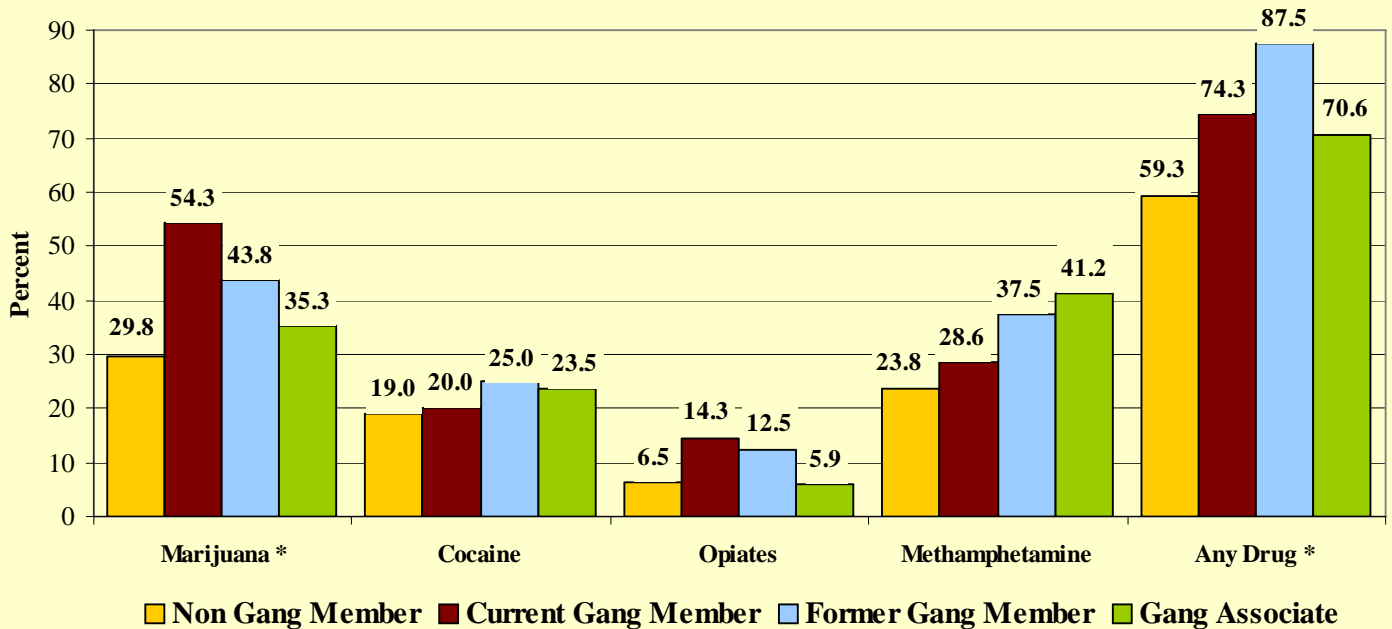


Percent of Adult Arrestees Testing Positive for Drugs by Gang Status, AARIN 3rd Quarter 2008 (n=564)



* Indicates significance at $p < .05$

Drug Use by Gang Membership Status

Using data collected during third quarter 2008 we compared respondents' urinalysis results (n=564) for marijuana, cocaine, opiates, methamphetamine, or any combination of the four, by gang status. Analysis showed that there were no significant differences among those who tested positive for cocaine, opiates, or methamphetamine by gang status. However, gang status was significantly associated with marijuana and any drug use. Current and former gang members tested positive for marijuana (54.3% and 43.8% respectively) and any drug (74.3% and 87.5% respectively) more often than non-gang members (29.8% for marijuana and 59.3% for any drug) and gang associates (35.3 for marijuana and 70.6 for any drug). Notably, non-gang members consistently tested positive for drug use less frequently than the other gang status groups.