Violent Offenders and Drug Use:

Approximately 18% (n=94) of adult arrestees (n=518) were charged with one or more violent offenses. Violent offenders used alcohol more than other offenders (18.1% compared to 14.6%), but for all other drugs - marijuana, cocaine, opiates, and methamphetamine – violent offenders used at lower rates than other offenders. Non-violent offenders were almost twice as likely to test positive for cocaine (24.1%) than violent offenders (13.8%).