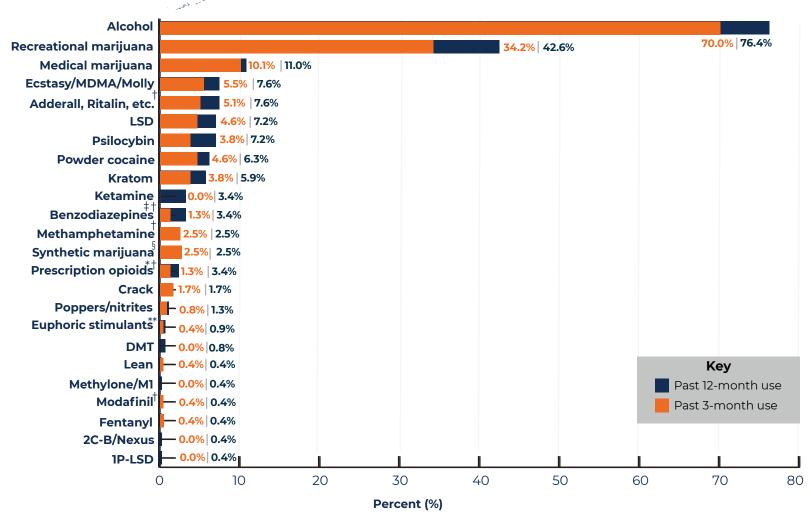


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The National Drug Early Warning System's (NDEWS) Rapid Street Reporting (RSR) team conducted rapid venue-intercept surveys in Gainesville, FL, on April 9th, 2022. Florida is one of the NDEWS Sentinel Sites with state-wide coverage, and Gainesville is home to the University of Florida and the NDEWS Coordinating Center. The RSR team conducted surveys in parks, nightlife areas (bars/clubs), malls (shopping areas), outdoor markets, grocery stores, and a housing shelter. Notable differences between the Gainesville, FL site visit and the Tampa, FL site visit include the following: Gainesville respondents reported use of DMT, poppers/nitrites, synthetic marijuana, Modafinil, and 1P-LSD, while Tampa respondents did not. Conversely, Tampa respondents reported NPS benzodiazepine use, while Gainesville respondents did not.



+ Non-medical use of prescription medications.

‡ Benzodiazepines include Ativan/Iorazepam, Xanax/alprazolam, Valium/diazepam, and Klonopin/clonazepam.

§ Synthetic marijuana includes synthetic cannabinoids such as spice and K2.

\* Prescription opioids include Oxycontin, Percocet, Roxicodone, codeine and morphine.

\*\* Euphoric stimulants include MDA and MDAI/woof woof.

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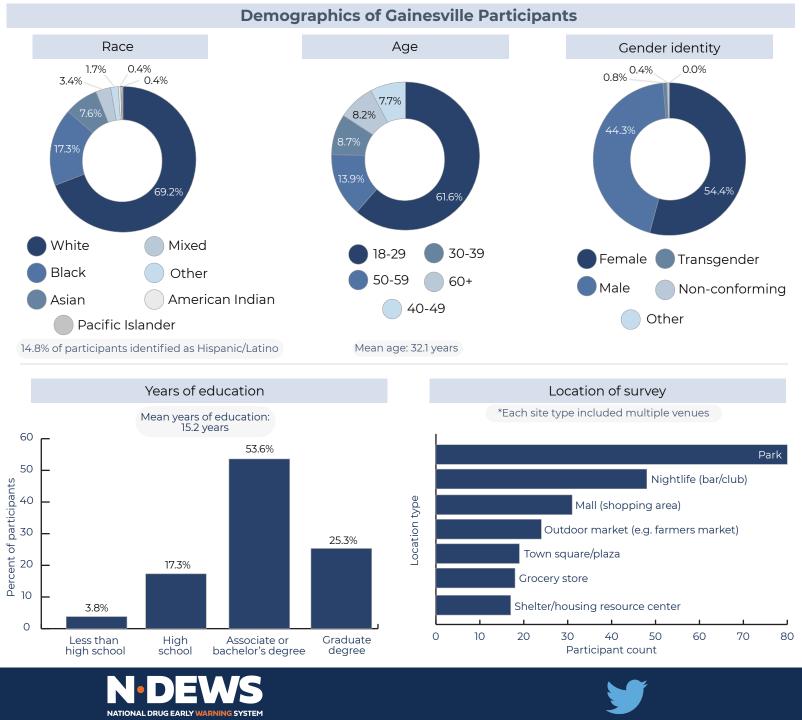


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"The Rapid Street Reporting survey in Gainesville, Florida illustrates the widespread use of alcohol, cannabis (recreational & medical), stimulants, hallucinogens and other drugs by the participants. Nearly three-quarters of the participants reported alcohol use during the past 12-month period."

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