

# Schedules for Abused Drugs

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# Schedule I Drugs

- No legally accepted use for the drug. (Online dictionary, 2012).
- High potential for abuse. Physicians must apply to Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) to prescribe Schedules 1, II, III, and IV medications. (Coombs & Howatt, 2005).

# Schedule I Drugs Continued

- Heroin, hallucinogens, marijuana, methaqualone. (Coombs. Howatt, 2005).
- Ecstasy (Department of Justice, 2012).

“I had someone at the Houston police station shoot me with heroin so I could do a story about it. The experience was a special kind of hell. I came out understanding full well how one could be addicted to 'smack,' and quickly.”

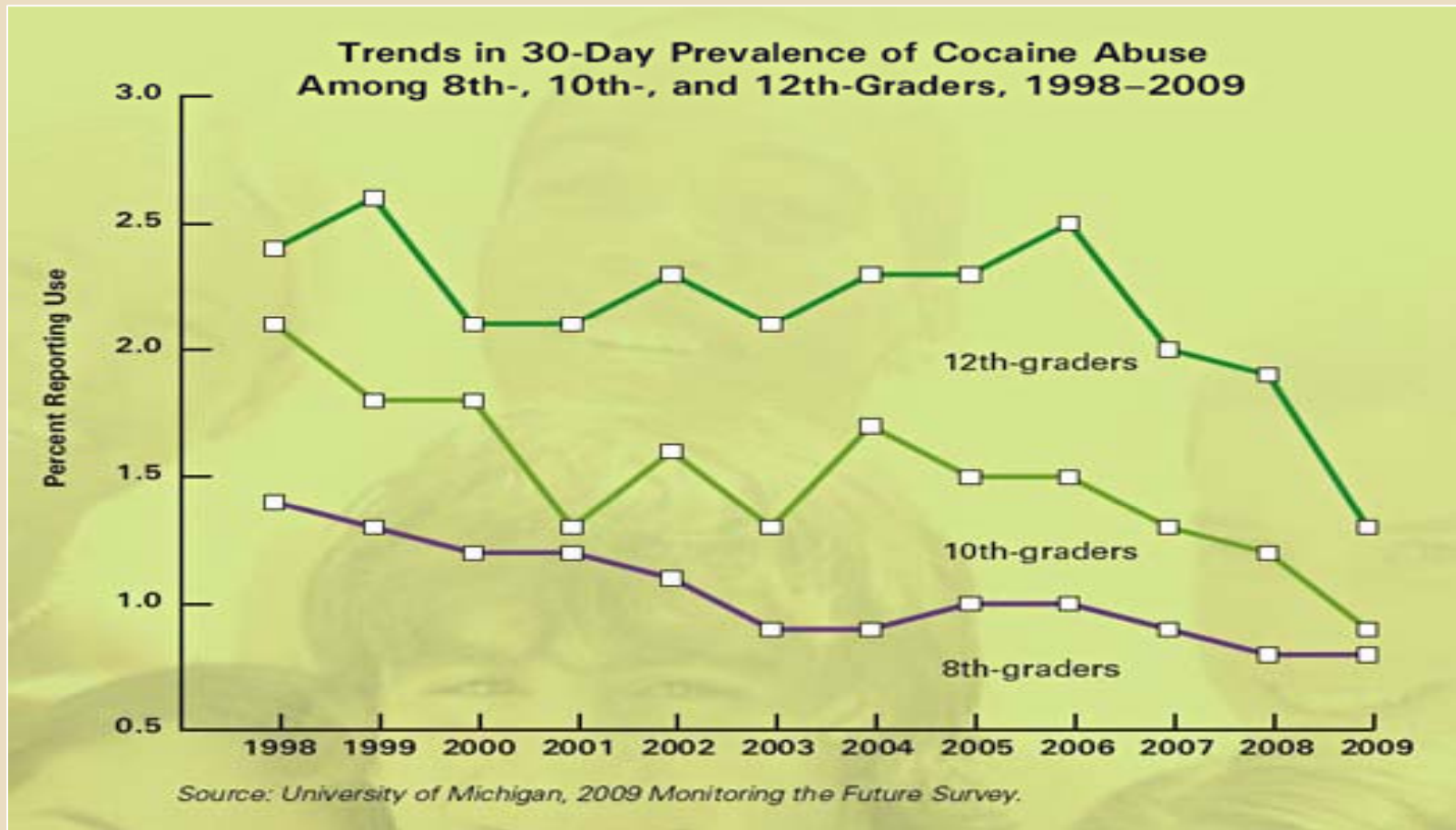
— [Dan Rather](#) (Good Reads, 2012).



# Schedule II Drugs

- Schedule II drugs have a somewhat less potential for abuse than Schedule I drugs. Medical use with severe restriction.
- **Methadone**, codeine, synthetic opiates such as **Demerol**, barbiturates such as seconal, amphetamines **Ritalin**, methamphetamine, PCP, cocaine and methamphetamine. (Coombs & Howatt, 2005).

# Some Good News?



National Institute of Drug Abuse. (2012).

# Schedule III Drugs

**Acceptable medical use. Abuse may lead to low to moderate physical and psychological dependence.**

**Schedules III and IV controlled prescription drugs are mainly obtained in large quantities through the Internet. Distributors and abusers of Schedule II drugs usually obtain the drugs through prescription fraud and doctor-shopping. (National Drug Intelligence Center, 2008).**

# Schedule III Drugs continued

- Anabolic steroids, codeine or hydrocodone with aspirin or Tylenol.

Ketamine can cause depression, delirium, amnesia, impaired motor function, HBP, and fatal respiratory problems. (NDIC, 2006)



# Schedule IV Drugs

- Acceptable medical use. Low abuse potential compared to schedule III. Xanax, Valium, Darvon, Librium, Chloral Hydrate, Dalmane, Talwin, Tenuate. D(Coombs & Howatt, 2005).

# Schedule V Drugs

- Have accepted medical use. Low potential for abuse compared to Schedule IV drugs.
- Narcotic-atropine mixtures, (Lomotil), codeine mixtures < 200 mg

I've never had a problem with  
drugs. I've had problems with the  
police. ~Keith Richards

(Good Reads, 2012).

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