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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Interested Parties

FROM: Susan W. Shaffer

DATE: February 3, 2009

RE: December 2008 Juvenile Drug Testing Statistics and Year-End Data

Drug testing of juvenile arrestees for December 2008 revealed an increase in the levels of substance abuse detected for PCP and cocaine, which were up 2% and 1% from November to 4% and 2%, respectively. The level of substance abuse detected for amphetamines decreased by 1% to 1%, while marijuana remained the same at 54%.

The Juvenile Drug Testing Unit tested 198 respondents prior to their initial hearing in December. Fifty-nine percent (94) of the 159 Lockup cases tested positive. Thirty-six percent (14) of the 39 Community cases tested positive. The combined positive rate was 55%.

	<u>COMMUNITY</u>	<u>LOCKUP</u>	<u>COMBINED</u>
<b>ALL NEGATIVE</b>	<b>25 (64%)</b>	<b>65 (41%)</b>	<b>90 (45%)</b>
<b>ANY POSITIVE</b>	<b><u>14 (36%)</u></b>	<b><u>94 (59%)</u></b>	<b><u>108 (55%)</u></b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>198</b>

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	<b>Of the 39 Community Cases</b>	<b>Of the 159 Lockup Cases</b>	<b>Of the 198 Combined Cases</b>	<b>Of the 108 Positive Cases</b>
<b>Multi Positive</b>	<b>1 (3%)</b>	<b>10 (6%)</b>	<b>11 (6%)</b>	<b>11 (10%)</b>
<b>Cocaine Positive</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3 (2%)</b>	<b>3 (2%)</b>	<b>3 (3%)</b>
<b>Marijuana Positive</b>	<b>14 (36%)</b>	<b>93 (58%)</b>	<b>107 (54%)</b>	<b>107 (99%)</b>
<b>Amphetamines Positive</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2 (1%)</b>	<b>2 (1%)</b>	<b>2 (2%)</b>
<b>PCP Positive</b>	<b>1 (3%)</b>	<b>6 (4%)</b>	<b>7 (4%)</b>	<b>7 (6%)</b>

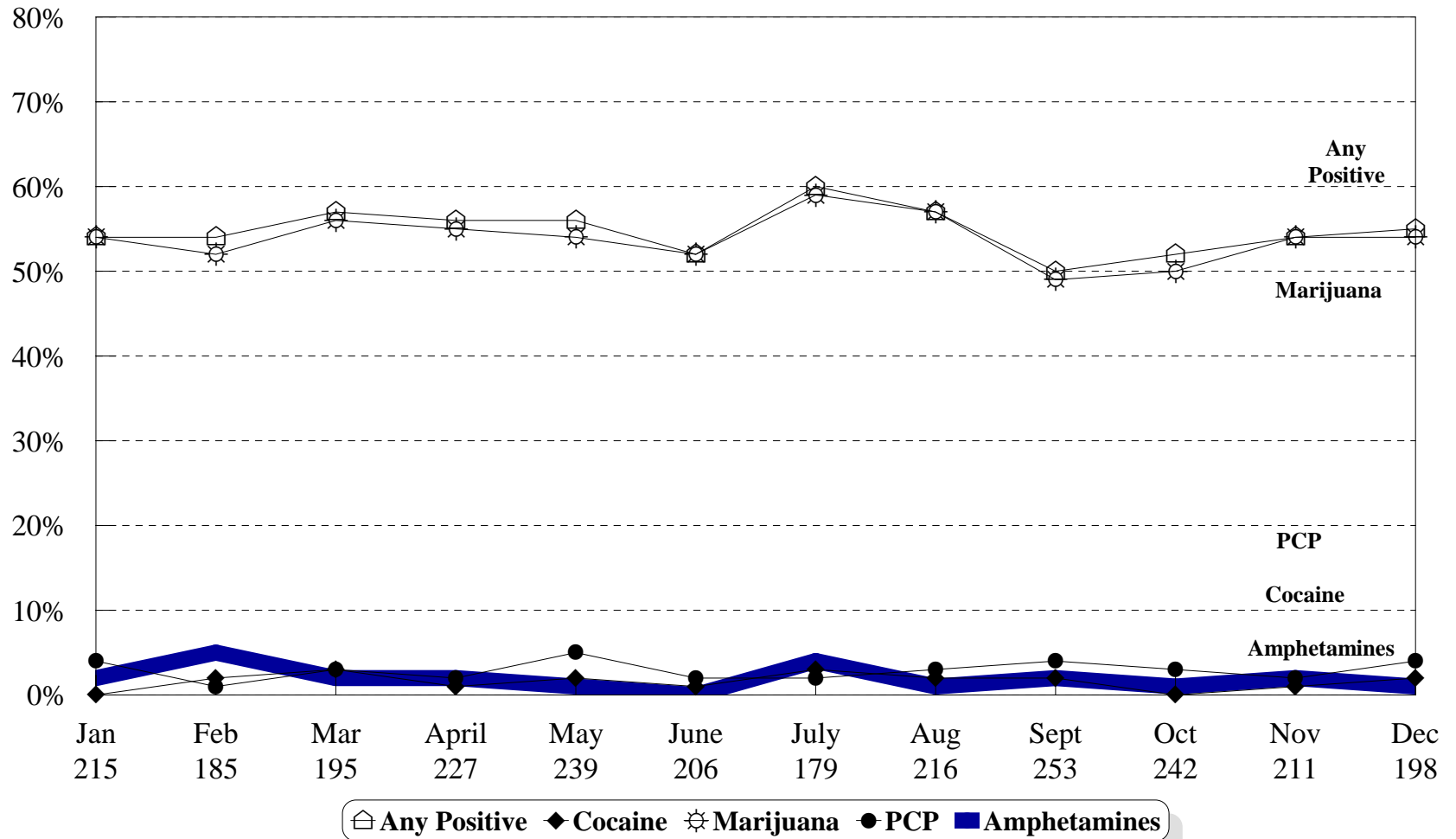
The following breakdown of age groups for both Community and Lockup cases was obtained through the Superior Court's records system and correlated with the respondent's test result information.

<b>Age</b>	<b>No. of Arrestees Tested</b>	<b>No. Positive for Any Drug</b>	<b>% Positive For Any Drug</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>33%</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>32%</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>63%</b>
<b>16</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>63%</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>58%</b>
<b>18-19</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>80%</b>
<b>Over 19</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>

**You may be interested in noting changes that have occurred in the detection levels of the drugs tested – cocaine, marijuana, PCP and amphetamines – over the past several years. Therefore, we have attached a table that shows year-end data from 2000 through 2008.**

# Drug Testing of Juvenile Respondents

January 2008 - December 2008



This data reflects results of the drug test conducted prior to the juvenile's initial court hearing.

D.C. Pretrial Services Agency  
Annual Drug Test Data – Juvenile Arrestees  
2008 Total Number Tested – 2,566

<b>Drug</b>	<b>2008 2,566 tests No. and % Positive</b>	<b>2007 2,248 tests No. and % Positive</b>	<b>2006 2,379 tests No. and % Positive</b>	<b>2005 2,319 tests No. and % Positive</b>	<b>2004 2,001 tests No. and % Positive</b>	<b>2003 1,899 tests No. and % Positive</b>	<b>2002 1,896 tests No. and % Positive</b>	<b>2001 2,165 tests No. and % Positive</b>	<b>2000 2,162 tests No. and % Positive</b>
<b>Any Positive</b>	1,401 (55%)	1,250 (56%)	1,244 (52%)	1,182 (51%)	992 (50%)	1,009 (53%)	1,070 (56%)	1,279 (59%)	1,341 (62%)
<b>Cocaine</b>	41 (2%)	62 (3%)	82 (3%)	82 (4%)	66 (3%)	71 (4%)	105 (6%)	103 (5%)	123 (6%)
<b>Marijuana</b>	1,377 (54%)	1,224 (54%)	1,219 (51%)	1,155 (50%)	980 (49%)	965 (51%)	1,027 (54%)	1,232 (57%)	1,312 (61%)
<b>PCP</b>	73 (3%)	59 (3%)	48 (2%)	78 (3%)	37 (2%)	210 (11%)	254 (13%)	292 (13%)	212 (10%)
<b>Amphetamines</b>	46 (2%)	61 (3%)	14 (1%) *						

\*/ The D.C. Pretrial Services Agency resumed reporting on amphetamines in August 2006.