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MEMORANDUM

TO: Interested Parties

FROM: Susan W. Shaffer

DATE: December 18, 2008

RE: November 2008 Juvenile Drug Testing Statistics

Drug testing of juvenile arrestees for November 2008 revealed an increase in the level of substance abuse detected for marijuana, which was up 4% from October to 54%; amphetamines and cocaine were up 1% each to 2% and 1%, respectively. The level of substance abuse detected for PCP decreased by 1% to 2%.

The Juvenile Drug Testing Unit tested 211 respondents prior to their initial hearing in November. Fifty-three percent (95) of the 179 Lockup cases tested positive. Fifty-nine percent (19) of the 32 Community cases tested positive. The combined positive rate was 54%.

	<u>COMMUNITY</u>	<u>LOCKUP</u>	<u>COMBINED</u>
ALL NEGATIVE	13 (41%)	84 (47%)	97 (46%)
ANY POSITIVE	<u>19 (59%)</u>	<u>95 (53%)</u>	<u>114 (54%)</u>
TOTAL	32	179	211

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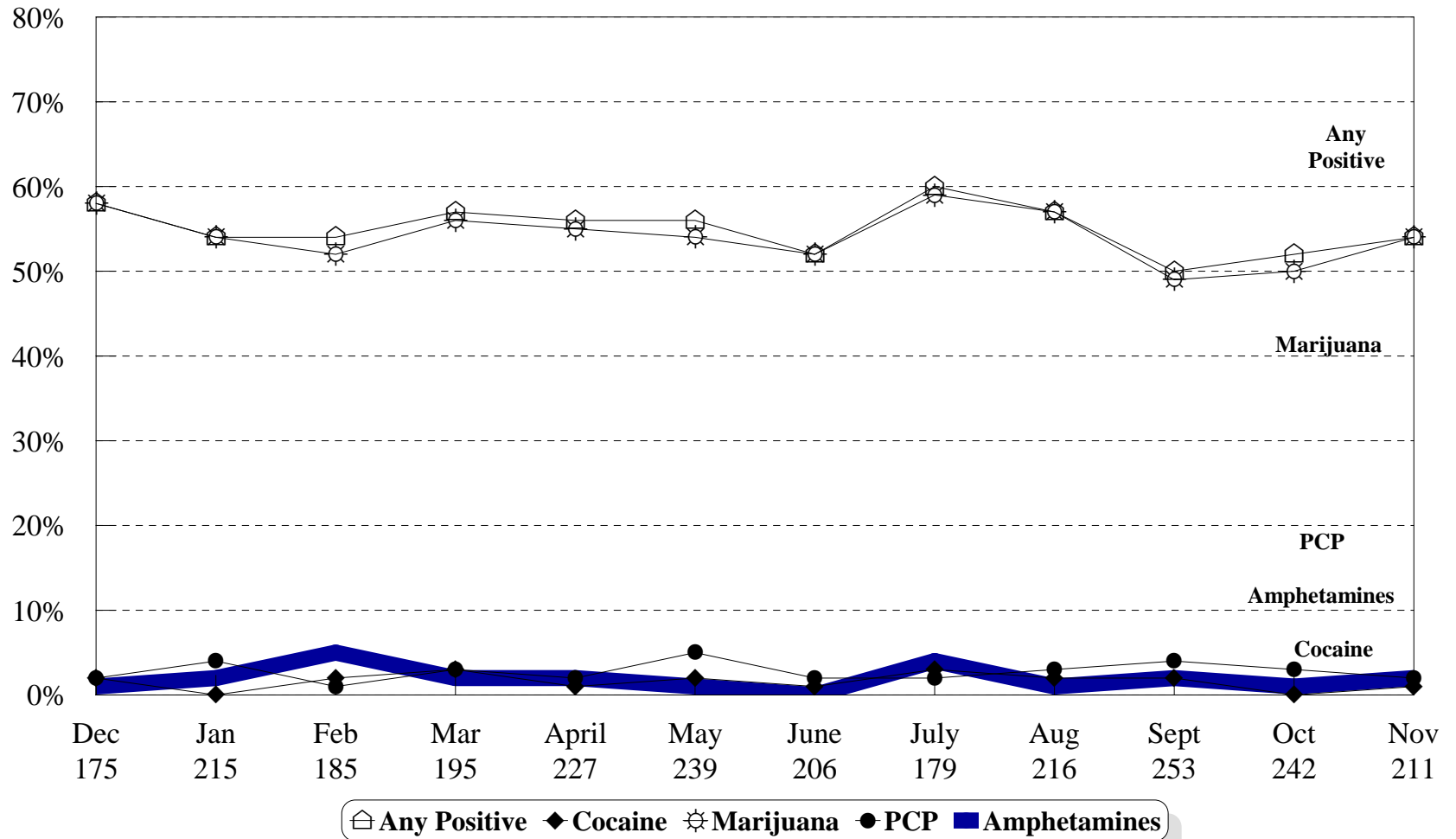
	Of the 32 Community Cases	Of the 179 Lockup Cases	Of the 211 Combined Cases	Of the 114 Positive Cases
Multi Positive	0	9 (5%)	9 (4%)	9 (8%)
Cocaine Positive	0	3 (2%)	3 (1%)	3 (3%)
Marijuana Positive	19 (59%)	94 (53%)	113 (54%)	113 (99%)
Amphetamines Positive	0	4 (2%)	4 (2%)	4 (4%)
PCP Positive	0	4 (2%)	4 (2%)	4 (4%)

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.

Age	No. of Arrestees Tested	No. Positive for Any Drug	% Positive for Any Drug
12	5	1	20%
13	12	7	58%
14	22	9	41%
15	38	13	34%
16	56	33	59%
17	69	42	61%
18-19	9	9	100%

Drug Testing of Juvenile Respondents

December 2007 - November 2008



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