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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Interested Parties

**FROM:** Victor Valentine Davis, Chief of Staff

**DATE:** October 15, 2019

**SUBJECT: September 2019 Drug Testing Statistics**

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The rate of positive results from drug testing of adult arrestees for September 2019 decreased by 1% when compared to the previous month, with an overall positive test rate of 28%. Cocaine and amphetamines each revealed a 1% increase. Multi-drug positives remained consistent. PCP revealed a 2% decrease. Opiates, heroin and synthetic cannabinoids each revealed a 1% decrease, respectively.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact us at [contact@psa.gov](mailto:contact@psa.gov). Historical reports dating to 1996 can be accessed at [www.psa.gov](http://www.psa.gov) in the *Reading Room*, which can be accessed under the *Resources* tab.

The breakdown of September 2019 adult test results is as follows:

No. Tests/No. Positive	August 2019		September 2019	
	As % of All Tests	As % of All Positives	As % of All Tests	As % of All Positives
Multi-Drug Positive	106 (9%)	106 (29%)	96 (9%)	96 (31%)
Cocaine Positive	167 (13%)	167 (46%)	158 (14%)	158 (51%)
Opiates Positive	69 (6%)	69 (19%)	56 (5%)	56 (18%)
Amphetamines Positive	28 (2%)	28 (8%)	31 (3%)	31 (10%)
PCP Positive	128 (10%)	128 (35%)	93 (8%)	93 (30%)
Heroin Positive	8 (1%)	8 (2%)	5 (0%)	5 (2%)
Synthetic Cannabinoid Positive	48 (4%)	48 (13%)	34 (3%)	34 (11%)

	September 2019 Tests	
All Negative	807	72%
Any Positive	311	28%
Total	1118	100%

**September 2019 Juvenile Drug Testing Statistics**

The positive rate for juvenile drug testing for September 2019 decreased by 1% when compared to the previous month.

	<b>August 2019</b>		<b>September 2019</b>	
Number Tested/ Number Positive	43/28	(65%)	56/36	(64%)
Multi-Drug Positive	0	(0%)	0	(0%)
Cocaine Positive	0	(0%)	0	(0%)
Marijuana Positive	28	(65%)	36	(64%)
PCP Positive	0	(0%)	0	(0%)

The Juvenile Drug Testing Unit tested 56 respondents prior to their appearance in September 2019. Of the 56 lockup cases, 36 (64%) tested positive for marijuana. No community cases were tested for the month of September.

	<b>Community</b>		<b>Lockup</b>		<b>Combined</b>	
All Negative	0	(0%)	20	(36%)	20	(36%)
Any Positive	0	(0%)	36	(64%)	36	(64%)
Total	0	(0%)	56	(100%)	56	(100%)

	<b>Of the 0 Community Cases</b>		<b>Of the 56 Lockup Cases</b>		<b>Of the 56 Combined Cases</b>		<b>Of the 36 Positive Cases</b>	
Multi-Drug Positive	0	(0%)	0	(0%)	0	(0%)	0	(0%)
Cocaine Positive	0	(0%)	0	(0%)	0	(0%)	0	(0%)
Marijuana Positive	0	(0%)	36	(64%)	36	(64%)	36	(100%)
PCP Positive	0	(0%)	0	(0%)	0	(0%)	0	(0%)

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.

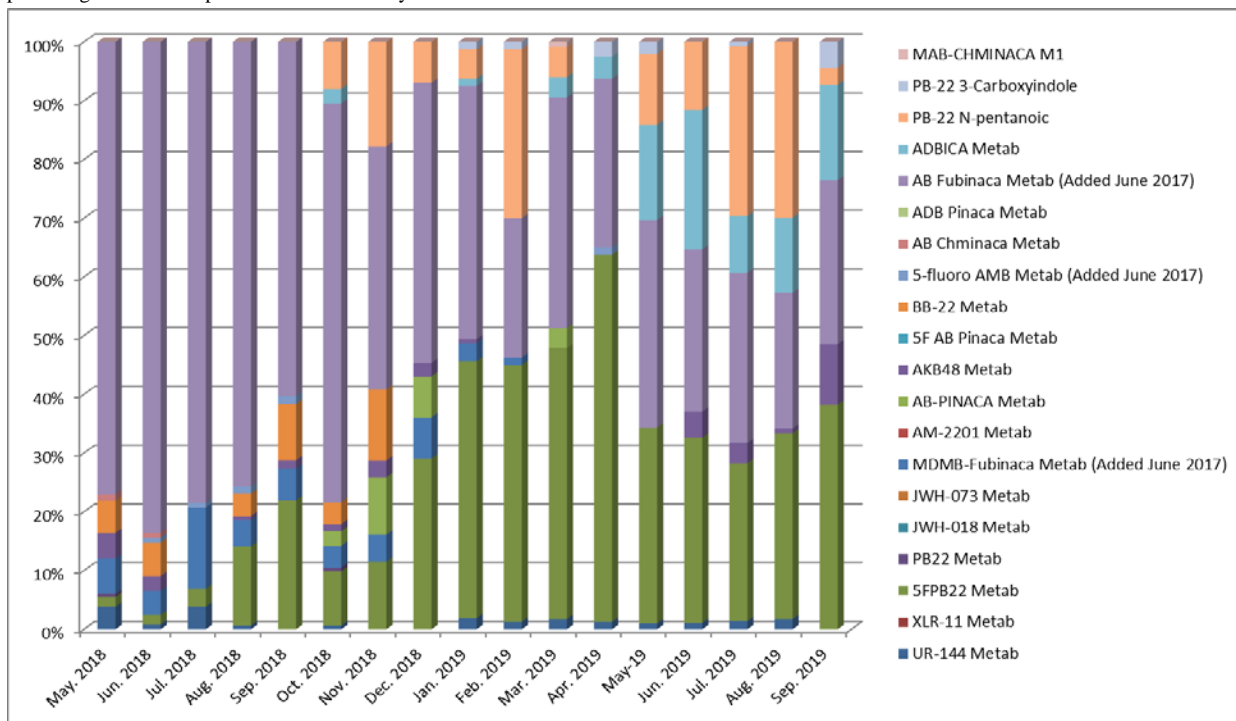
<b>Age</b>	<b>Number of Arrestees Tested</b>	<b>Number Positive for Any Drug</b>	<b>Percent Positive for Any Drug</b>
13	5	3	60%
14	10	6	60%
15	9	5	56%
16	19	15	79%
17	12	7	58%
18-19	1	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>64%</b>

### Synthetic Cannabinoid Testing Results for September 2019\*

September 2019		
Positives	50	56.18%
Negatives	39	43.82%
Total	89	100%

	Number of Positive Analogues	Percentage of Positive Analogues
5-fluoro PB-22 3-Carboxyindole	26	38.24%
*AB-FUBINACA Metabolites	19	27.94%
ADBICA N-pentanoic acid	11	16.18%
AKB48 N-pentanoic acid	7	10.29%
Pb-22 3-Carboxyindole	3	4.41%
PB-22 N-pentanoic acid	2	2.94%
Total	68	100%

\*\*\*Data is expressed as a percentage of total positive analogues instead of percentage of total samples. Data prior to July 2017 is expressed as a percentage of total samples. Test Performed by LCMSMS \*Includes Metabolites 3 and 4 as of June 2017 \*\*Added June 2017.



\*These samples were obtained from the pretrial, parole/probation, and juvenile populations. The samples have been preselected by staff or the court for testing due to suspected use by the contributor.

## Drug Testing of Adult Arrestees October 2018 - September 2019

