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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Interested Parties

FROM: Susan W. Shaffer

DATE: March 17, 2009

RE: February 2009 Juvenile Drug Testing Statistics

Drug testing of juvenile arrestees for February 2009 revealed a decrease in the level of substance abuse detected for marijuana, which was down 3% from January to 50%. The levels of substance abuse detected for cocaine and amphetamines increased by 1% each to 2% and 3%, respectively, while PCP was up 3%, to 4%.

The Juvenile Drug Testing Unit tested 210 respondents prior to their initial hearing in February. Fifty-three percent (96) of the 180 Lockup cases tested positive. Fifty percent (15) of the 30 Community cases tested positive. The combined positive rate was 53%.

	COMMUNITY	LOCKUP	COMBINED	
ALL NEGATIVE	15 (50%)	84 (47%)	99 (47%)	
ANY POSITIVE	<u>15</u> (50%)	<u>96</u> (53%)	<u>111</u> (53%)	
TOTAL	30	180	210	

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

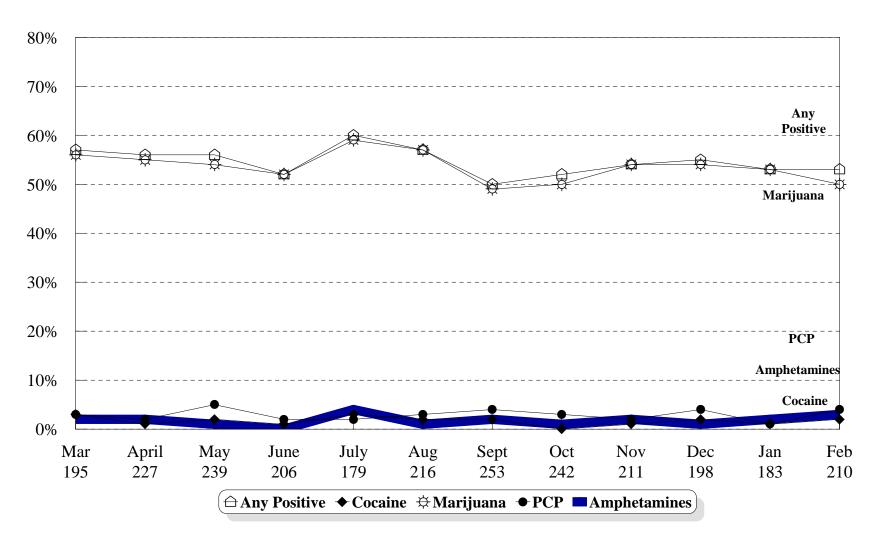
	Of the 30 Community Cases	Of the 180 Lockup Cases	Of the 210 Combined Cases	Of the 111 Positive Cases
Multi Positive	0	11 (6%)	11 (5%)	11 (10%)
Cocaine Positive	0	4 (2%)	4 (2%)	4 (4%)
Marijuana Positive	15 (50%)	91 (51%)	106 (50%)	106 (96%)
Amphetamines Positive	0	6 (3%)	6 (3%)	6 (5%)
PCP Positive	0	8 (4%)	8 (4%)	8 (7%)

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
11	2	0	0%
12	1	0	0%
13	12	1	8%
14	32	13	41%
15	49	28	<b>57</b> %
16	55	31	56%
17	55	35	64%
18-19	4	3	75%

## **Drug Testing of Juvenile Respondents**

**March 2008 - February 2009** 



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