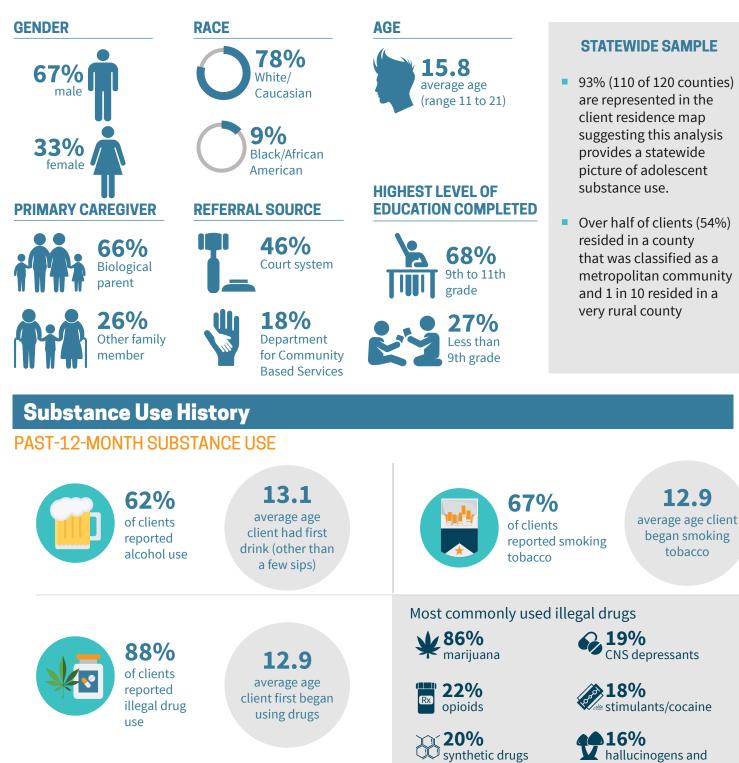
## **Adolescent Substance Abuse in Kentucky: Snapshot of Adolescent Clients**

ADOLESCENT SUBSTANCE ABUSE IN KENTUCKY FACT SHEET - APRIL 2017

his fact sheet summarizes characteristics of 1,968 adolescents (ages 11-21) as they enter substance abuse treatment from three large samples in Kentucky.



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tobacco

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## **Number of Adverse Childhood Experiences**

		The Association of Adverse Childhood Experiences with Substance Use
7 - 10 ACEs	13%	The number of adverse childhood experiences clients reported was significantly different by severity of substance use disorder, even after controlling for gender.
4 - 6 ACEs	32%	No SUD No SUD Moderate SUD Severe SUD Severe SUD 3.0 3.9 4.1
1 - 3 ACEs	50%	2 The number of adverse childhood experiences individuals reported was significantly associated with:
None	5%	Number of months individuals reported using opioids/opiates $(r = .138, p < .001)$ Number of months individuals reported using CNS depressants $(r = .144, p < .001)$ Number of months individuals reported using stimulants/cocaine $(r = .148, p < .001)$ Smoking tobacco $(r = .157, p < .001)$ in the 12 months before entering treatment

## **Mental Health Problems**

Because of the significant gender differences, results for behavioral health problems at treatment intake are presented separately for male and female clients.



<sup>a</sup> There was no significant difference between genders on externalizing problems

## **Juvenile Justice System Involvement**

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