

# COCAINE

PURE COCAINE WAS FIRST EXTRACTED FROM THE LEAVES OF THE COCA PLANT IN 1859 & WAS MARKETED IN A FORTIFIED WINE IN FRANCE AS EARLY AS 1863.

COCAINE WAS FIRST USED IN THE U.S. IN THE 1880S, WHERE IT WAS APPLIED AS AN ANESTHETIC IN EYE, NOSE, & THROAT OPERATIONS.

1,000 TONS OF COCAINE IS PRODUCED EACH YEAR.

THE SOFT DRINK *Coca-Cola* ORIGINALLY CONTAINED AN ESTIMATED NINE MILLIGRAMS OF COCAINE PER SERVING WHICH COMBINED WITH CAFFEINE TO CREATE THE DRINK'S POWERFUL STIMULATING EFFECTS. (WHILE COCAINE WAS OFFICIALLY REMOVED FROM THE DRINK'S INGREDIENTS IN 1903, A COCAINE-FREE VERSION OF THE COCA LEAF IS STILL USED AS A FLAVOR ADDITIVE IN THE SODA.)

AVERAGE STREET PRICE FOR A GRAM OF PURE COCAINE IN THE U.S. CURRENTLY IS BETWEEN

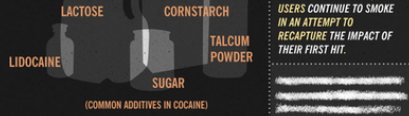
THE AVERAGE PRICE FOR A ROCK OF CRACK COCAINE IS

**\$80 to \$100.**

**\$10 to \$25.**

COCAINE IS NEARLY ALWAYS DILUTED BY DEALERS IN ORDER TO INCREASE THE OVERALL QUANTITY AND MAXIMIZE PROFITS.

SMOKING CRACK FOLLOWS THE LAW OF DIMINISHING RETURNS- THE EUPHORIA DELIVERED BY THE FIRST HIT FROM A CRACK PIPE IS ALWAYS THE GREATEST- USERS CONTINUE TO SMOKE IN AN ATTEMPT TO RECAPTURE THE IMPACT OF THEIR FIRST HIT.



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HALF A MILLION PEOPLE USE COCAINE EVERY WEEK.

THE UNITED NATIONS WORLD DRUG REPORT DECLARES THERE ARE UP TO 20 MILLION COCAINE USERS WORLDWIDE THE USE OF THIS DRUG HAS BEEN REPORTED IN MORE THAN TWO-THIRDS OF ALL COUNTRIES.



APPROXIMATELY 36.8 MILLION AMERICANS AGES 12 & OLDER HAD TRIED COCAINE AT LEAST ONCE IN THEIR LIFETIMES.

DRUG ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL ESTIMATE THAT ABOUT 2,500 AMERICANS EVERY DAY TRY COCAINE FOR THE FIRST TIME.

8TH GRADE 19.5% 10TH GRADE 28.2% 12TH GRADE 38.9%

PERCENTAGE OF AGE GROUPS WHO SAID IN A 2008 SURVEY THAT POWDER COCAINE WAS "FAIRLY EASY" OR "VERY EASY" TO OBTAIN.

3.3% OF STUDENTS (HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE) REPORTED BEING CURRENT USERS OF COCAINE, MEANING THAT THEY HAD USED COCAINE AT LEAST ONCE DURING THE PAST MONTH.

1 OUT OF 4 AMERICANS BETWEEN AGES 26 thru 34 HAVE USED COCAINE IN THEIR LIFETIME.

AGE GROUP WITH THE HIGHEST RATES OF COCAINE USE IN THE U.S. AGES 18 to 25 5% PERCENTAGE OF AMERICANS IN THIS AGE GROUP ADMITTING CURRENT USE OF THE DRUG

ACCORDING TO 2008 STATISTICS, YEARLY IN THE U.S. THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY 700,000 NEW MALE USERS & ABOUT 500,000 NEW FEMALE USERS. Men tend to feel the effects of cocaine faster than women and report more episodes of euphoria and dysphoria (intense bad feelings) related to the drug than women do.

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