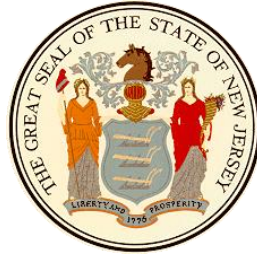


New Jersey Drug and Alcohol Use Treatment

Substance Use Overview 2023 Mercer County



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The statewide ***Substance Use Overview*** provides statistics on substance use disorder treatment in New Jersey for calendar year 2023. In 2023, there were 82,176 treatment admissions and 81,957 discharges reported to the New Jersey Department of Human Services, Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services by substance use disorder treatment providers. These data were submitted through the web-based New Jersey Substance Abuse Monitoring System (NJSAMS). This report is based on the information provided in the March 2024 NJSAMS download data.

The Statewide Overview includes:

- State Totals for Substance Use Treatment Admissions
- Substance Use Treatment Trend Charts for Admission, Primary Drug, Level of Care and Age Group
- Substance Use Admissions by County and Primary Drug
- Substance Use Admissions by Primary Drug within County
- Substance Use Admission Rates by County and Primary Drug
- Map for Number of Substance Use Admissions by County of Residence
- First Time Clients by County of Residence and Primary Drug
- Admissions by Age Group, Gender, and Primary Drug
- State Totals for Substance Use Treatment Discharges
- Length of Stay by Level of Care
- Waiting Time to Treatment Admission
- Reasons for Waiting Time over 3 Days to Treatment Admission
- Time to First Readmission
- Detox Continuing Care Status at Discharge
- Detox Continuing Care within 90 days by Level of Care
- Substance Use Treatment Demand Estimate

Reports for individual counties can be found by clicking on the county names.

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Sincerely,

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CY2023 Substance Use Treatment Admissions Mercer County Residents

Primary Drug				Employment Status					
Alcohol	1,322	35%		Unemployed	869	23%			
Heroin	1,334	36%		Student	15	0%			
Other Opiates	363	10%		Not in Labor Force	2,002	53%			
Cocaine	370	10%		Employed Full/Part Time	854	23%			
Marijuana/Synthetic cannabinoids	221	6%		Living Arrangement					
Methamphetamines/Other Stimulants	56	1%		Homeless	533	14%			
Other Drugs	72	2%		Dependent Living/Supervised Living	648	17%			
Intravenous Drug Users				Independent Living	2,560	68%			
Level of Care				Highest School Grade Completed					
Outpatient Care (OP)	535	14%		Completed High School	2,498	67%			
Intensive Outpatient (IOP)	723	19%		Some College	575	15%			
Partial Hospitalization	40	1%		Tobacco Products Used (Yes)**					
Opioid Maintenance OP	815	22%			2,007	54%			
Opioid Maintenance IOP	132	4%		Gambling Problem					
Extended Care	1	0%			49	1%			
Halfway House	163	4%		Legal Problem*					
Long-Term Residential	247	7%		None	2,380	64%			
Short-Term Residential	466	12%		Case Pending	316	8%			
Hospital Based Residential	0	0%		Probation/Parole	635	17%			
Detox Residential	587	16%		Driving Under the Influence	141	4%			
Detox Hospital	0	0%		Recovery Court	263	7%			
Detox Outpatient Non-Methadone	32	1%		Child Protection/Family Court	80	2%			
Detox Outpatient Methadone	1	0%		Other	107	3%			
Early Intervention	2	0%		Special Population*					
Interim Services	1	0%		Child Protection/Child Welfare Program	109	3%			
Medication Assisted Therapy Planned in Treatment				Driving Under the Influence	273	7%			
Methadone	920	25%	Buprenorphine	334	9%				
Vivitrol	86	2%	Psychotropic	436	12%				
Sex				Health Insurance*					
Male	2,620	70%	Female	1,116	30%				
Race/Ethnicity				No Insurance	383	10%			
White (non-Hispanic)	1,597	43%		Medicaid	3,044	81%			
Black (non-Hispanic)	1,510	40%		Medicare	103	3%			
Hispanic Origin	590	16%		Private Insurance	413	11%			
Other	48	1%		Other Insurance	73	2%			
Primary Language				Attendance Self-Help group in past 30 Days (Yes)					
English	3,580	96%	Spanish	154	4%				
Other	11	0%		Narcotic Anonymous (NA)	284	8%			
Age				Alcoholic Anonymous (AA)	303	8%			
Under 18	8	0%	30-34	574	15%				
18-21	60	2%	35-44	1,083	29%				
22-24	117	3%	45-54	766	20%				
25-29	349	9%	55 and over	788	21%				
Marital Status				Arrest in the Last 30 Days (Yes)					
Single/Divorced	3,163	84%	Widowed	73	2%				
Married/Civil Union	349	9%	Separated	160	4%				
Pregnant Women (Yes)**				Federal Poverty Level (0-133%)**					
					3,238	94%			
Veteran (Yes)**				Treated in County of Residence					
					2,191	59%			
Referral Source				Treated in County of Residence					
Self-referral	2,335	62%		Atlantic	342	9%	Middlesex	156	4%
Family/Friend	67	2%		Bergen	10	0%	Monmouth	411	11%
Addiction Services Program	216	6%		Burlington	115	3%	Morris	6	0%
Welfare/Social Service Agency	12	0%		Camden	47	1%	Ocean	6	0%
Child Protection Substance Abuse Initiative	75	2%		Cape May	0	0%	Passaic	142	4%
Mental Health	15	0%		Cumberland	83	2%	Salem	2	0%
Corrections Related Programs	611	16%		Essex	67	2%	Somerset	4	0%
Intoxicated Drivers Resource Center	121	3%		Gloucester	77	2%	Sussex	11	0%
Reach NJ	64	2%		Hudson	53	1%	Union	3	0%
Other	285	8%		Hunterdon	17	0%	Warren	1	0%
				Mercer	2,191	59%	Other	1	0%
				Fee For Service Admissions					
				709 19%					
				Fee For Service Unique Clients					
				474 22%					
				Number of Admissions for Unique Clients					
				1 Admission 1,241 57% 2 Admissions 443 20%					
				3+ Admissions 501 23%					

*Totals may be greater than 100% because of multiple responses.

**Percentage calculation excluded missing values.

Unduplicated Clients Admitted = 2,185
Total Admissions = 3,745

Substance Use Admissions by Municipality and Primary Drug 2023 NJ Resident Admissions

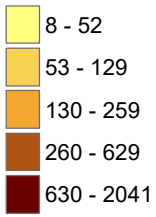
MERCER	PRIMARY DRUG														TOTAL	
	Alcohol		Cocaine/ Crack		Heroin		Other Opiates		Marijuana/ Hashish		Methampe tamines		Other Drugs& Unknown		N	%
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%		
EAST WINDSOR TWP	49	4	5	1	21	2	2	1	6	3	2	5	4	4	89	2
EWING TWP	106	8	20	5	84	6	20	6	19	9	0	0	10	10	259	7
HAMILTON TWP	219	17	47	13	247	19	70	19	29	13	0	0	17	17	629	17
HIGHTSTOWN BORO	24	2	0	0	13	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	38	1
HOPEWELL BORO	6	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0
HOPEWELL TWP	12	1	2	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	1
LAWRENCE TWP	56	4	8	2	43	3	12	3	5	2	2	5	3	3	129	3
PENNINGTON BORO	8	1	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	0
PRINCETON BORO	12	1	2	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	3	3	3	20	1
PRINCETON TWP	32	2	6	2	10	1	1	0	2	1	0	0	1	1	52	1
ROBBINSVILLE TWP	12	1	1	0	5	0	6	2	1	0	1	3	3	3	29	1
TRENTON CITY	690	52	209	56	730	55	207	57	126	57	27	73	52	53	2041	54
WEST WINDSOR TWP	22	2	0	0	4	0	5	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	33	1
NOT Stated	74	6	70	19	167	13	37	10	30	14	4	11	5	5	387	10
Total	1322	100	370	100	1334	100	363	100	221	100	37	100	98	100	3745	100

Substance Use Admissions by Primary Drug within Municipality 2023 NJ Resident Admissions

MERCER	PRIMARY DRUG														TOTAL	
	Alcohol		Cocaine/ Crack		Heroin		Other Opiates		Marijuana/ Hashish		Methampe tamines		Other Drugs& Unknown		N	%
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%		
EAST WINDSOR TWP	49	55	5	6	21	24	2	2	6	7	2	2	4	4	89	100
EWING TWP	106	41	20	8	84	32	20	8	19	7	0	0	10	4	259	100
HAMILTON TWP	219	35	47	7	247	39	70	11	29	5	0	0	17	3	629	100
HIGHTSTOWN BORO	24	63	0	0	13	34	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	38	100
HOPEWELL BORO	6	75	0	0	2	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	100
HOPEWELL TWP	12	60	2	10	6	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	100
LAWRENCE TWP	56	43	8	6	43	33	12	9	5	4	2	2	3	2	129	100
PENNINGTON BORO	8	73	0	0	2	18	1	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	100
PRINCETON BORO	12	60	2	10	0	0	1	5	1	5	1	5	3	15	20	100
PRINCETON TWP	32	62	6	12	10	19	1	2	2	4	0	0	1	2	52	100
ROBBINSVILLE TWP	12	41	1	3	5	17	6	21	1	3	1	3	3	10	29	100
TRENTON CITY	690	34	209	10	730	36	207	10	126	6	27	1	52	3	2041	100
WEST WINDSOR TWP	22	67	0	0	4	12	5	15	2	6	0	0	0	0	33	100
NOT Stated	74	19	70	18	167	43	37	10	30	8	4	1	5	1	387	100
Total	1322	35	370	10	1334	36	363	10	221	6	37	1	98	3	3745	100

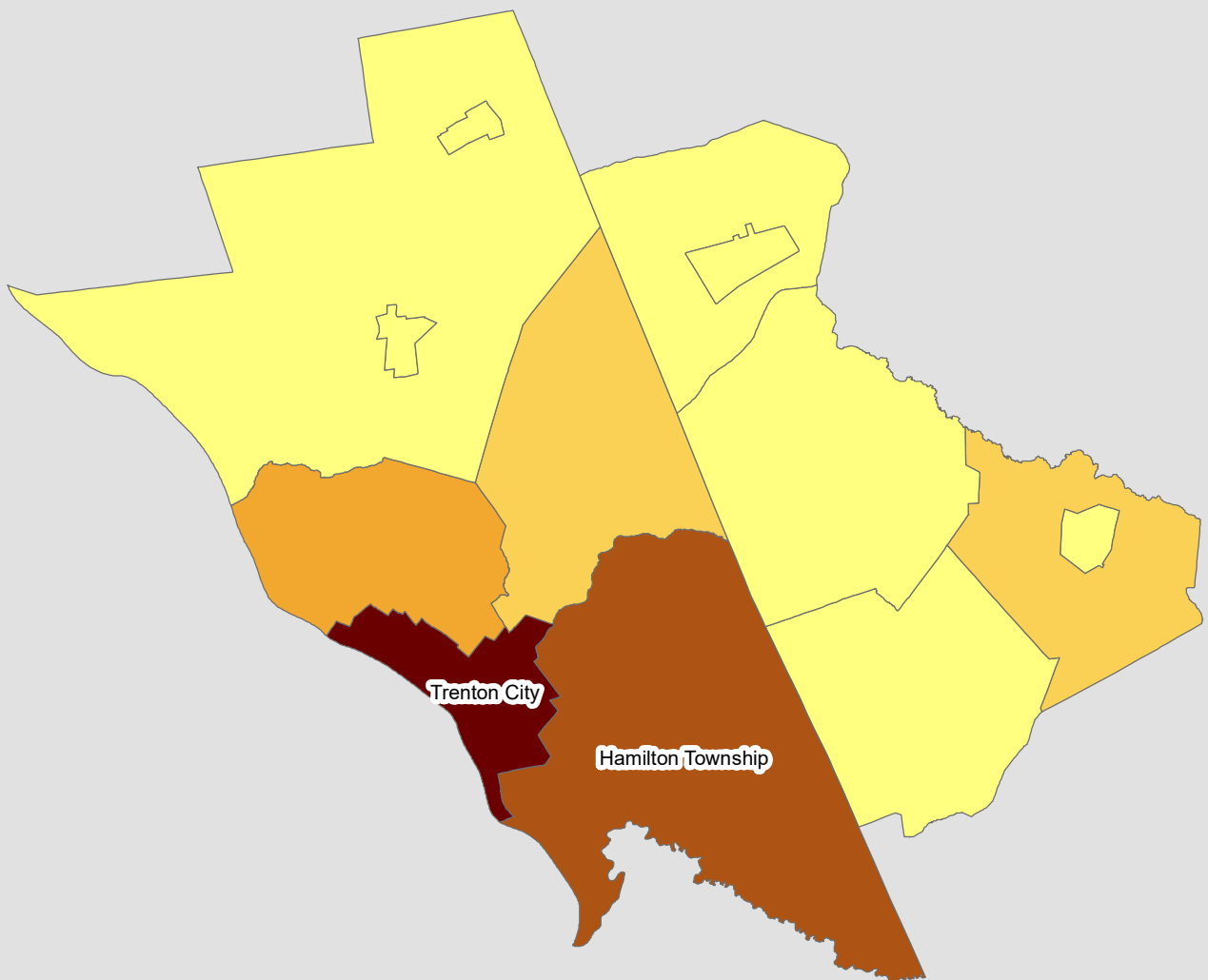
2023 Mercer County Substance Use Admissions by Municipality of Residence

Admission Counts



Top Five Municipalities

1	Trenton City	2041
2	Hamilton Township	629
3	Ewing Township	259
4	Lawrence Township	129
5	East Windsor Township	89



Data: NJSAMS 2024 March Download

Admissions by Municipality of Residence, Age Group and Primary Drug 2023 NJ Resident Admissions

MERCER	ALCOHOL				DRUGS						TOTAL					
	18 & Over		Total		18 & Over		Under 18		Total		18 & Over		Under 18		Total	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
EAST WINDSOR TWP	49	100	49	100	39	98	1	3	40	100	88	99	1	1	89	100
EWING TWP	106	100	106	100	153	100	0	0	153	100	259	100	0	0	259	100
HAMILTON TWP	219	100	219	100	407	100	2	0	409	100	626	100	2	0	628	100
HIGHTSTOWN BORO	24	100	24	100	14	100	0	0	14	100	38	100	0	0	38	100
HOPEWELL BORO	6	100	6	100	2	100	0	0	2	100	8	100	0	0	8	100
HOPEWELL TWP	12	100	12	100	8	100	0	0	8	100	20	100	0	0	20	100
LAWRENCE TWP	56	100	56	100	73	100	0	0	73	100	129	100	0	0	129	100
PENNINGTON BORO	8	100	8	100	3	100	0	0	3	100	11	100	0	0	11	100
PRINCETON BORO	12	100	12	100	8	100	0	0	8	100	20	100	0	0	20	100
PRINCETON TWP	32	100	32	100	20	100	0	0	20	100	52	100	0	0	52	100
ROBBINSVILLE TWP	12	100	12	100	17	100	0	0	17	100	29	100	0	0	29	100
TRENTON CITY	690	100	690	100	1342	100	4	0	1346	100	2032	100	4	0	2036	100
WEST WINDSOR TWP	22	100	22	100	11	100	0	0	11	100	33	100	0	0	33	100
NOT Stated	74	100	74	100	311	100	1	0	312	100	385	100	1	0	386	100
Total	1322	100	1322	100	2408	100	8	0	2416	100	3730	100	8	0	3738	100

* Missing primary drug or age admissions are not included0

Admissions by Age Group, Gender and Primary Drug 2023 NJ Resident Admissions

MERCER		Gender				Total	
		Female		Male		N	%
		N	%	N	%		
0-17	Heroin			3	100	3	100
	Marijuana/Hashish	2	40	3	60	5	100
	Total	2	25	6	75	8	100
18-24	Alcohol	16	38	26	62	42	100
	Heroin	22	42	30	58	52	100
	Other Opiates	11	42	15	58	26	100
	Marijuana/Hashish	20	45	24	55	44	100
	Methamphetamines	1	33	2	67	3	100
	Other Drugs &Unknown	2	25	6	75	8	100
	Total	72	41	103	59	175	100
25-59	Alcohol	293	26	842	74	1135	100
	Heroin	366	33	752	67	1118	100
	Other Opiates	122	40	186	60	308	100
	Marijuana/Hashish	45	27	120	73	165	100
	Methamphetamines	6	18	28	82	34	100
	Other Drugs &Unknown	117	30	270	70	387	100
	Total	949	30	2198	70	3147	100
60&Over	Alcohol	25	18	117	82	142	100
	Heroin	37	23	123	77	160	100
	Other Opiates	11	41	16	59	27	100
	Marijuana/Hashish	2	33	4	67	6	100
	Other Drugs &Unknown	18	25	53	75	71	100
	Total	93	23	313	77	406	100
Total	Alcohol	334	25	985	75	1319	100
	Heroin	425	32	908	68	1333	100
	Other Opiates	144	40	217	60	361	100
	Marijuana/Hashish	69	31	151	69	220	100
	Methamphetamines	7	19	30	81	37	100
	Other Drugs &Unknown	137	29	329	71	466	100
	Total	1116	30	2620	70	3736	100

Note: Unknown age or gender admissions are not included.

CY2023 Substance Use Treatment Discharges Mercer County Resident

Level of Care			Living Arrangement		
Outpatient Care (OP)	582	15%	Homeless	330	9%
Intensive Outpatient (IOP)	669	18%	Dependent Living/Institution	591	16%
Partial Hospitalization	43	1%	Independent Living	2,755	73%
Opioid Maintenance OP	865	23%	Employment Status		
Opioid Maintenance IOP	147	4%	Unemployed	761	20%
Extended Care	1	0%	Student	15	0%
Halfway House	135	4%	Not in Labor Force	1,670	44%
Long-Term Residential	238	6%	Employed Full/Part Time	1,230	33%
Short-Term Residential	470	12%	Reasons for Discharge or Treatment Not Completed		
Hospital Based Residential	0	0%	Completed at This Level of Care	1,708	45%
Detox Residential	585	16%	Quit or Dropped Out	1,058	28%
Detox Hospital	0	0%	Needs Different Level of Care	276	7%
Detox Outpatient Non-Methadone	34	1%	Administrative Discharge	153	4%
Detox Outpatient Methadone	1	0%	Medical Discharge	59	2%
Non-Traditional Program	0	0%	Deceased	14	0%
Early Intervention	1	0%	NJSAMS System Discharge	95	3%
Interim Services	3	0%	Other	392	10%
Medication Prescribed to Treat Substance Abuse			Continuing Care		
Methadone	967	26%	No Continuing Care Needed	478	13%
Buprenorphine	328	9%	Refused or Unable to Continue	487	13%
Vivitrol	79	2%	Continue Care	1,320	35%
Psychotropic	334	9%	Not Assessed	1,489	39%
Sex			Attendance Self-Help group in past 30 Days (Yes)		
Male	2,583	68%	Narcotic Anonymous (NA)	877	23%
Female	1,179	31%	Alcoholic Anonymous (AA)	817	22%
Age			Client Goal Achieved *		
Under 18	4	0%	Alcohol or Drug Problem	1,567	46%
18-21	57	2%	Educational	781	60%
22-24	123	3%	Employment or Vocational	895	52%
25-29	332	9%	Legal	763	51%
30-34	567	15%	Family Situation/Social	948	50%
35-44	1,117	30%	Psychological or Mental Health	968	47%
45-54	748	20%	Physical Health	874	54%
55 and over	826	22%	Gambling	515	60%
Race/Ethnicity			Tobacco	548	42%
White	1,624	43%	Financial	698	47%
Black	1,514	40%	Housing	879	55%
Hispanic	590	16%	County Where Patient Was Treated		
Other	46	1%	Atlantic	343	9%
Drug and Alcohol Use			Bergen	10	0%
Not Using Alcohol or Drugs	2,086	55%	Burlington	116	3%
Using Alcohol	202	5%	Camden	48	1%
Using Drugs	903	24%	Cape May	0	0%
Unknown	587	16%	Cumberland	80	2%
Mental Illness/Co-Occurring Disorder			Essex	67	2%
	2,222	59%	Gloucester	76	2%
Arrest in the Last 30 days (Yes)			Hudson	45	1%
	81	2%	Hunterdon	22	1%
Tobacco Products Used (Yes)**			Mercer	2,253	60%
	1,559	42%	Middlesex	150	4%
			Monmouth	402	11%
			Morris	6	0%
			Ocean	3	0%
			Passaic	129	3%
			Salem	2	0%
			Somerset	3	0%
			Sussex	12	0%
			Union	6	0%
			Warren	1	0%
			Other	0	0%
			Total Discharges = 3,774		
			Unduplicated Clients Discharged = 2,271		

* Totals may be greater than 100% because of multiple responses. Percentage for goal achievement based on total clients for whom goal was applicable.

**Percentage calculation excluded missing values.

CY2023 Substance Use Treatment Discharges Mercer County Treatment Sites

Level of Care				Living Arrangement					
Outpatient Care (OP)	553	18%		Homeless	243	8%			
Intensive Outpatient (IOP)	674	21%		Dependent Living/Institution	315	10%			
Partial Hospitalization	52	2%		Independent Living	2,480	79%			
Opioid Maintenance OP	1,005	32%		Employment Status					
Opioid Maintenance IOP	156	5%		Unemployed	513	16%			
Extended Care	0	0%		Student	9	0%			
Halfway House	185	6%		Not in Labor Force	1,257	40%			
Long-Term Residential	132	4%		Employed Full/Part Time	1,259	40%			
Short-Term Residential	352	11%		Reasons for Discharge or Treatment Not Completed					
Hospital Based Residential	0	0%		Completed at This Level of Care	1,185	38%			
Detox Residential	0	0%		Quit or Dropped Out	923	29%			
Detox Hospital	0	0%		Needs Different Level of Care	273	9%			
Detox Outpatient Non-Methadone	36	1%		Administrative Discharge	133	4%			
Detox Outpatient Methadone	1	0%		Medical Discharge	25	1%			
Non-Traditional Program	0	0%		Deceased	15	0%			
Early Intervention	1	0%		NJSAMS System Discharge	101	3%			
Interim Services	3	0%		Other	471	15%			
Medication Prescribed to Treat Substance Abuse				Continuing Care					
Methadone	1,086	34%		No Continuing Care Needed	649	21%			
Buprenorphine	255	8%		Refused or Unable to Continue	206	7%			
Vivitrol	39	1%		Continue Care	871	28%			
Psychotropic	168	5%		Not Assessed	1,424	45%			
Sex				Attendance Self-Help group in past 30 Days (Yes)					
Male	2,078	66%		Narcotic Anonymous (NA)	404	13%			
Female	1,060	34%		Alcoholic Anonymous (AA)	296	9%			
Age				Client Goal Achieved *					
Under 18	2	0%		Alcohol or Drug Problem	799	31%			
18-21	76	2%		Educational	318	47%			
22-24	135	4%		Employment or Vocational	473	39%			
25-29	301	10%		Legal	349	36%			
30-34	509	16%		Family Situation/Social	467	37%			
35-44	939	30%		Psychological or Mental Health	430	31%			
45-54	578	18%		Physical Health	319	35%			
55 and over	610	19%		Gambling	103	35%			
Race/Ethnicity				County of Residence					
White	1,443	46%		Atlantic	25	1%	Middlesex	60	2%
Black	1,171	37%		Bergen	14	0%	Monmouth	28	1%
Hispanic	491	16%		Burlington	186	6%	Morris	17	1%
Other	45	1%		Camden	60	2%	Ocean	36	1%
Drug and Alcohol Use				County of Residence					
Not Using Alcohol or Drugs	1,355	43%		Cape May	3	0%	Passaic	28	1%
Using Alcohol	191	6%		Cumberland	11	0%	Salem	6	0%
Using Drugs	1,007	32%		Essex	26	1%	Somerset	20	1%
Unknown	592	19%		Gloucester	24	1%	Sussex	5	0%
Mental Illness/Co-Occurring Disorder				County of Residence					
	1,855	59%		Hudson	11	0%	Union	6	0%
Arrest in the Last 30 days (Yes)				County of Residence					
	80	3%		Hunterdon	10	0%	Warren	7	0%
Tobacco Products Used (Yes)**				County of Residence					
	1,027	34%		Mercer	2,253	72%	Other	314	10%

Total Discharges = 3,150
Unduplicated Clients Discharged = 2,451

* Totals may be greater than 100% because of multiple responses. Percentage for goal achievement based on total clients for whom goal was applicable.

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