

WHAT 12-17 YEAR OLDS ARE REALLY USING



28%
HAVE HAD A
FULL SERVE OF
ALCOHOL*

HAVE TRIED **17%**
INHALANTS **

HAVE TRIED **3%**
HALLUCINOGENS **

HAVE TRIED **2.7%**
ECSTASY **

HAVE TRIED **1.7%**
COCAINE **

14.8% HAVE TRIED
CANNABIS **

2.9% HAVE TRIED
AMPHETAMINES **

2% HAVE TRIED **STEROIDS**
WITHOUT A DOCTOR'S
PRESCRIPTION

1.6% HAVE TRIED
HEROIN **

SHORT TERM

Alcohol contributes to the 3 major causes of teen death: injury, homicide & suicide.

Young people are more likely to drink to excess and take risks than adults. ***

LONG TERM

Alcohol (and other drugs) can damage the developing brain.

This affects memory, learning & problem solving. And can cause mental health problems. ***

* 2013 National Drug Strategy Household Survey report
** 2011 Australian School Students Alcohol and Drug (ASSAD) Survey
*** 2009 Australian Guidelines to Reduce Health Risks from Drinking Alcohol