Fact Sheet on Asian Substance Use for the State of Oklahoma (2011)

NVSS 2000-2009 Fatalities by Cause

- 2010 Oklahoma Asian population was 1.7% of the total population.
- 2010 Oklahoma Pacific Islander/Native Hawaiian was 0.1%.
- Among the Oklahoma Asian population, suicide, homicide, CVD, and opiate overdose death rates were all higher than the National rates for the Asian population.
- From 2002-2006 the Infant Mortality Rate among Oklahoma Asian or Pacific Islander women was 5.0 per 1,000 population.
- From 2002 to 2007, 6.2% of Asian infants had a low birth weight.
- In 2007, there were 34,589 suicides in the United States, 2.5% were among Asian/Pacific Islanders.
According to the National Survey on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH), in 2008 current illicit drug use among persons aged 12 or older was lowest among Asians (3.6%)\(^7\)

In 2008, binge drinking was lowest among Asians (11.9%) than any other racial/ethnic group\(^7\)

Immigrants from Japan (62.1 percent) and Korea (53.2 percent) had a higher prevalence of past month alcohol use than immigrants from the Philippines (24.1 percent), China (28.4 percent), Vietnam (26.4 percent), and India (26.6 percent). Korean and Japanese prevalence rates were similar to the rates of U.S.-born individuals\(^8\)

Among Asian adults, those who were born in the United States generally had higher rates of past month substance use than those who were not born in the United States, regardless of age\(^8\)

In 2011, 46.4% of 9\(^{th}\)-12\(^{th}\) Asian, Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander students reported having 1+ drinks in the past 30 days\(^{11}\)

In 2011, 29.9% of 9\(^{th}\)-12\(^{th}\) Asian, Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander students reported drinking alcohol before the age of 13\(^{11}\)

In 2011, 50.1% of 9\(^{th}\)-12\(^{th}\) Asian, Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander students reported ever trying cigarettes\(^{11}\)
References

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12. Very low birth weight is a live birth weighing less than 1,500 grams (3 lb. 5 oz.). Low birth weight is a live birth weighing between 1,500 and 2,500 grams (3 lb. 5 oz - 5 lb. 8 oz.)