



JCOIN 026: AmeriSpeak Brief Stigma Survey

Survey 2: COVID-19
experience, Opioid Use
Disorder Perceptions
and Stigma of the
General Population
Results

NORC (April 2020). The COVID-19 pandemic and prior justice system involvement and history of opioid use and core JCOIN items: An AmeriSpeak Omnibus General Population Survey 2. Chicago, IL: NORC

Survey 2 Content

Fielded April 30 – May 4, 2020

Sample size: 1,002



Survey 2 Key Topics

COVID-19 Experiences:

- Testing for COVID-19 and death
- Activities and protective behaviors against COVID-19
- Affect of COVID on employment and finances
- Medical care
- Attitudes towards COVID-19 shelter-in-place/lock downs
- Mental health status during pandemic

Opioid & Criminal Justice Items:

- Opioid experience
- Criminal justice experience
- Policy scale
- Stigma scale
- Opioid misuse due to COVID-19

Survey 2: RESULTS BY JUSTICE & OPIOID USE EXPERIENCE

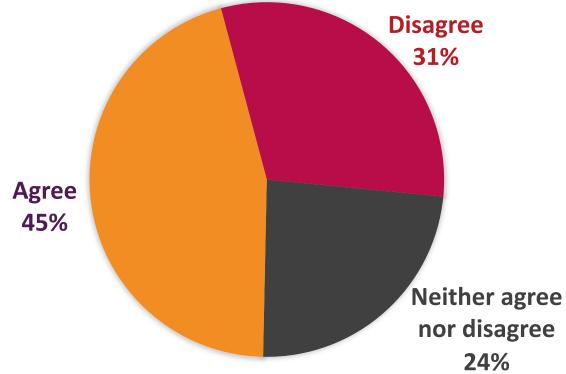
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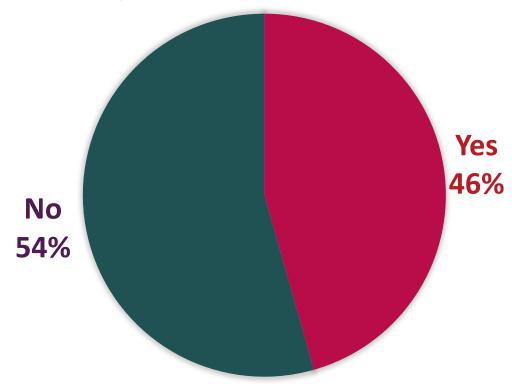


Beliefs about incarceration and opioid use during COVID-19

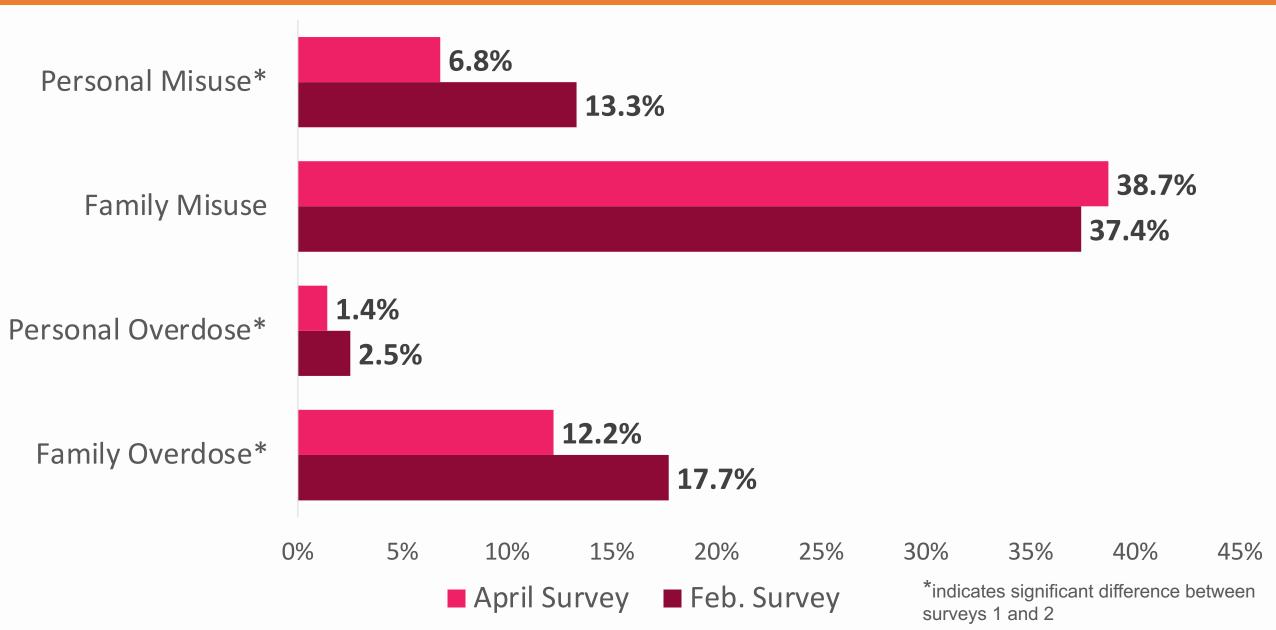
Less than half of individuals support releasing individuals incarcerated for non-violent crimes to reduce the spread of coronavirus (n=991)



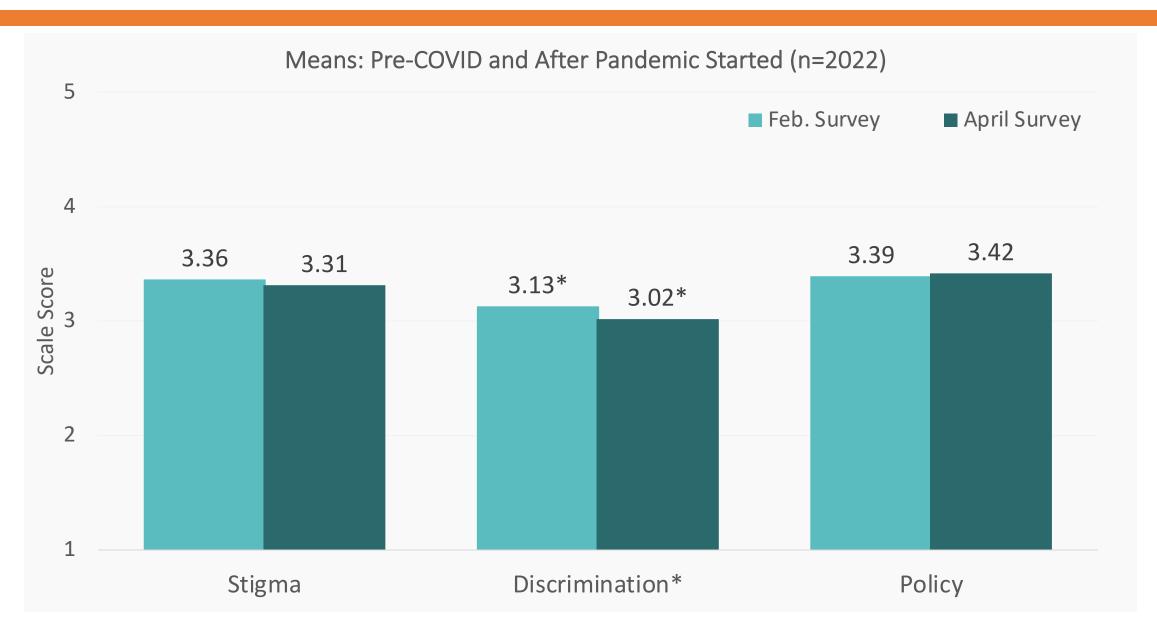
Just under half of individuals think COVID-19 will increase opioid misuse (n=883)



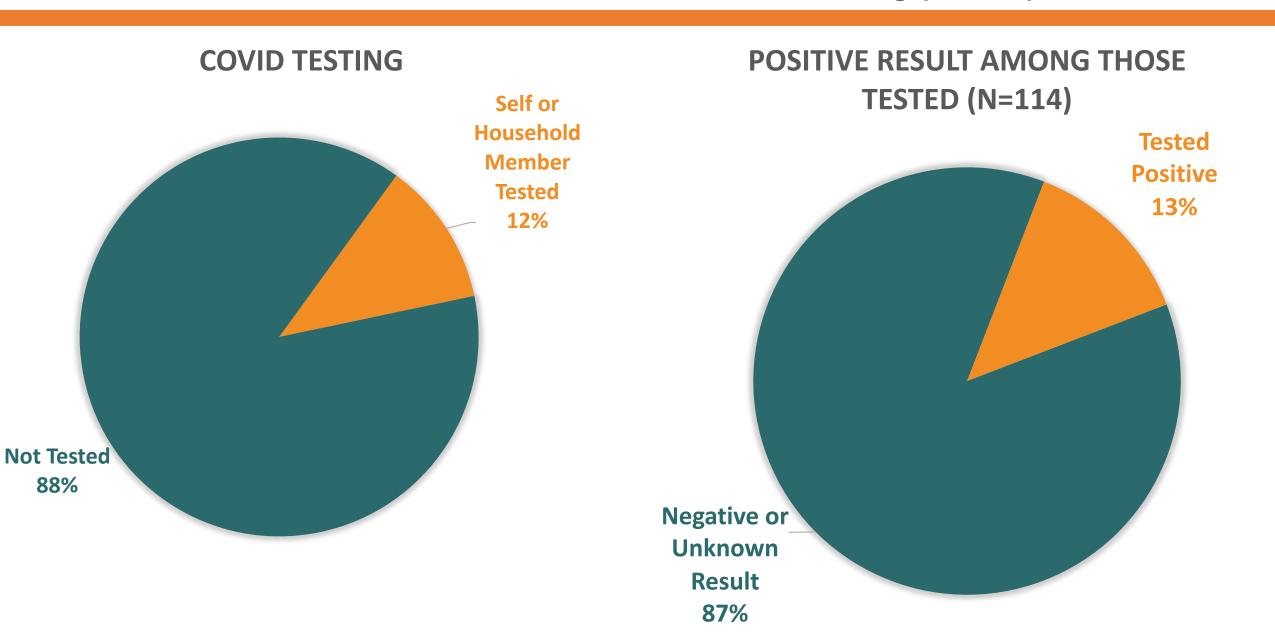
Some differences in the pre-COVID and during COVID populations related to lifetime personal/family lifetime opioid misuse and overdose (n=2022, p<.001)



Stigma, Discrimination, and Policy Scales Score

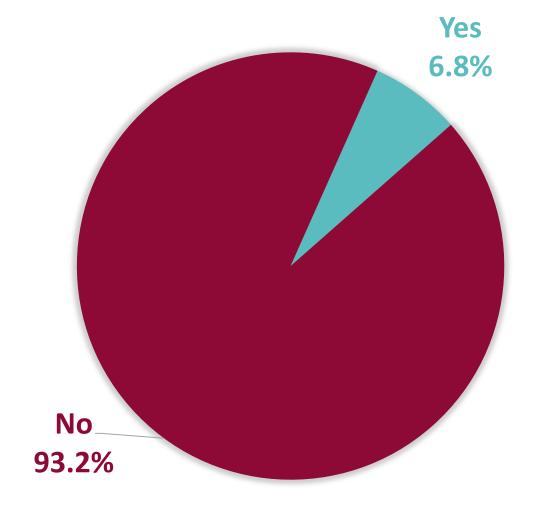


Self or Household Member COVID testing (n=989)

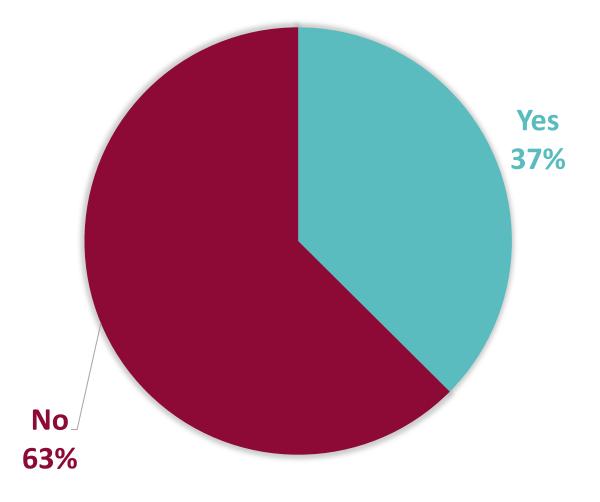


Personal and Family/Friend Experience with Opioid Misuse



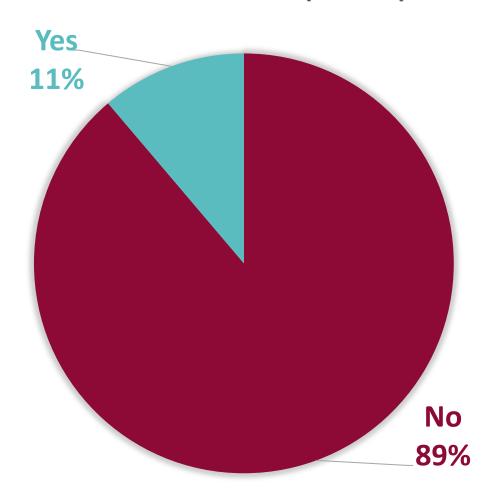


FAMILY/FRIEND LIFETIME OPIOID MISUSE (N=738)

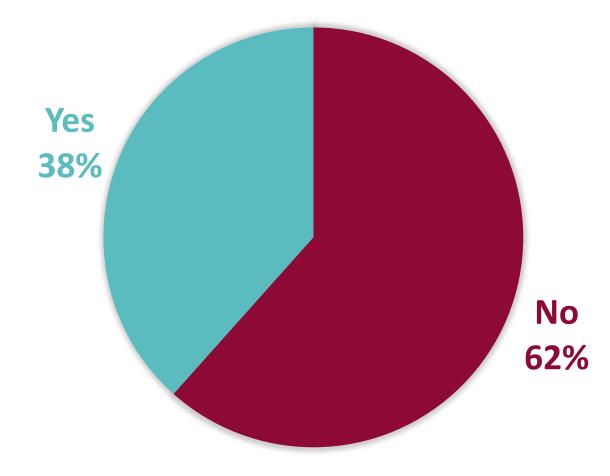


Personal and Family/Friend Experience with Criminal Justice System

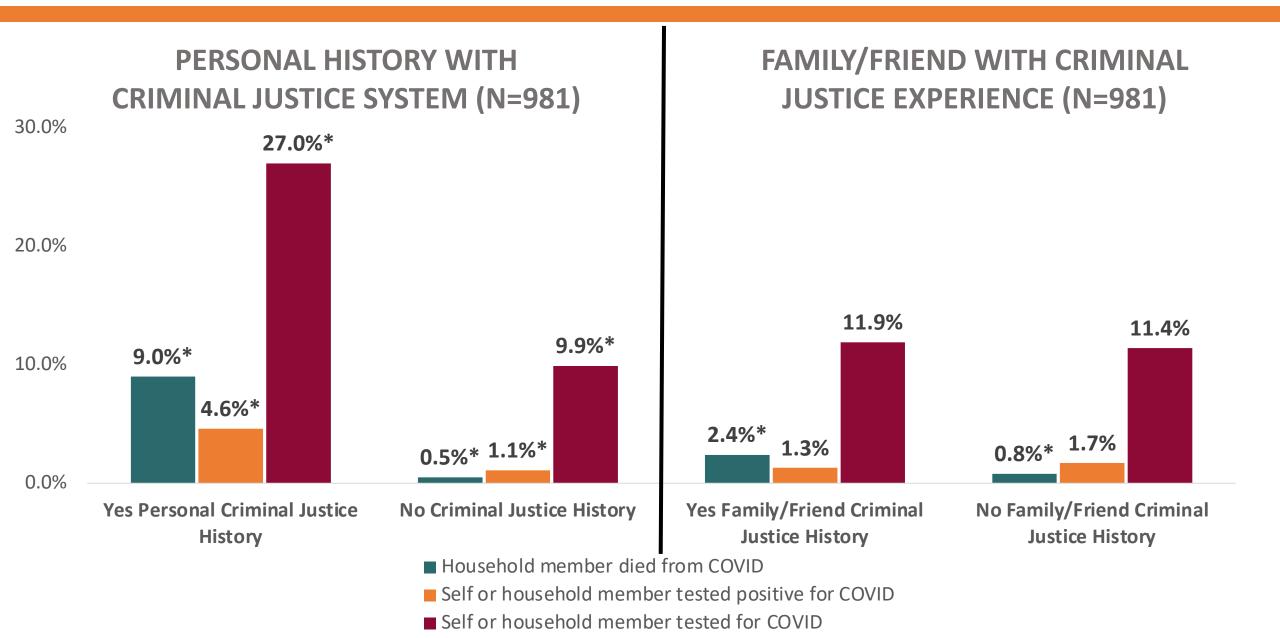
PERSONAL HISTORY WITH CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM (N=991)



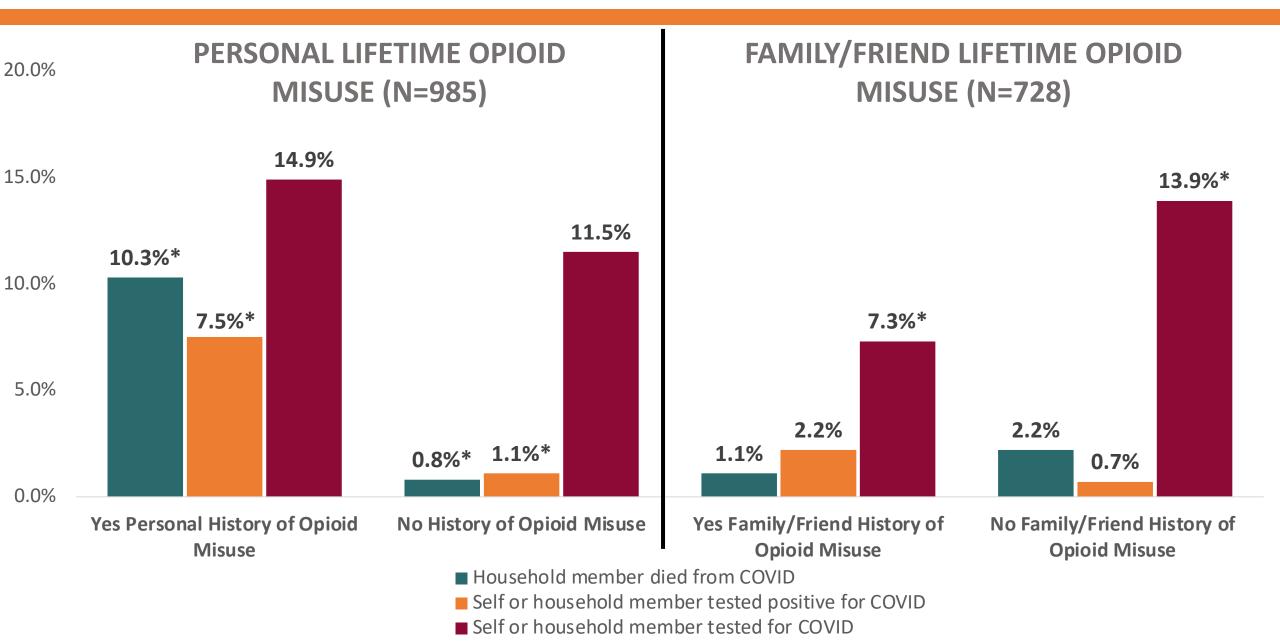
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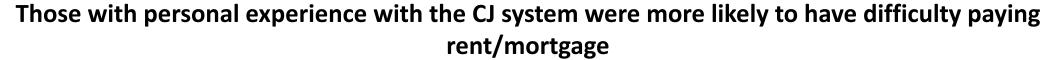
COVID-19 Testing and Death Differs by Criminal Justice Experience

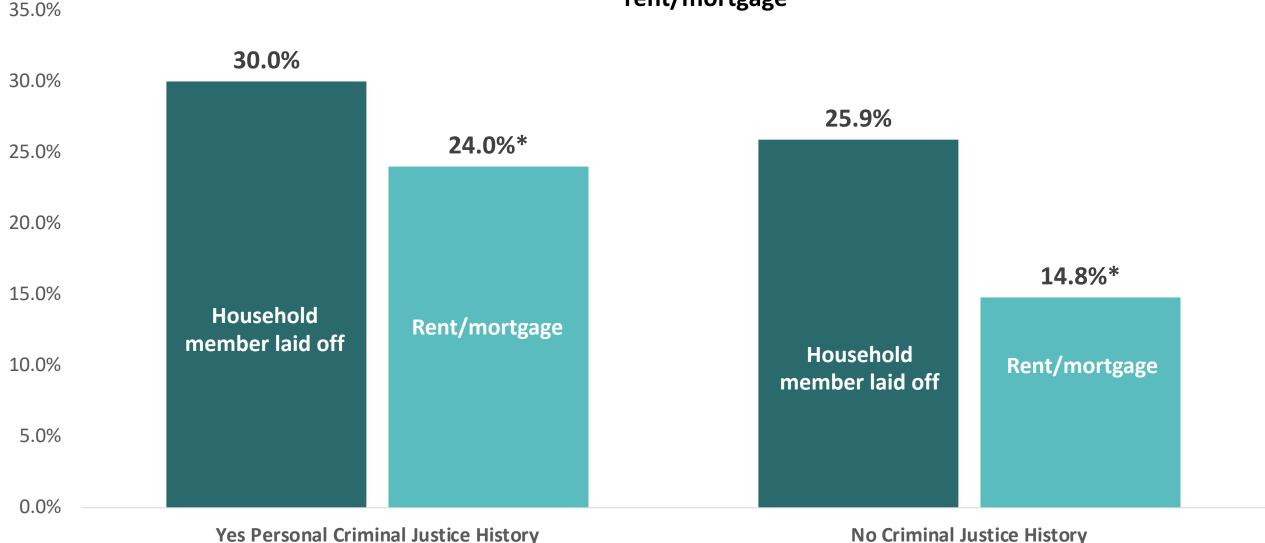


COVID-19 Testing and Death Differs by Opioid Misuse Experience

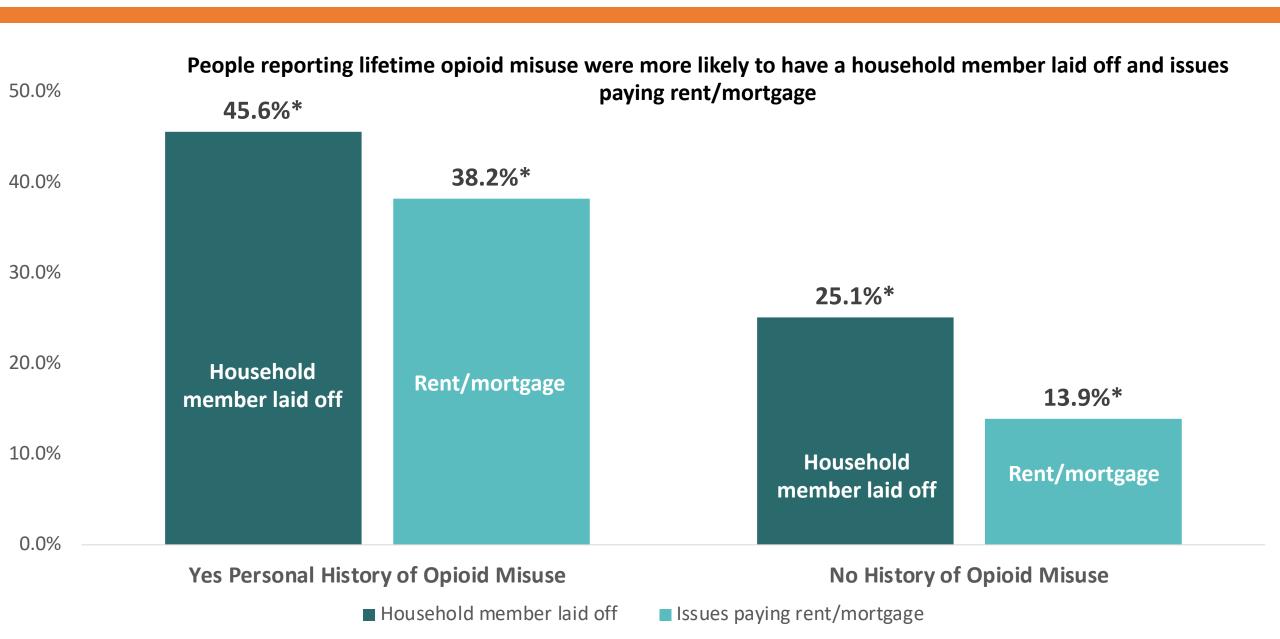


Financial Challenges During COVID Differs by Personal Criminal Justice History

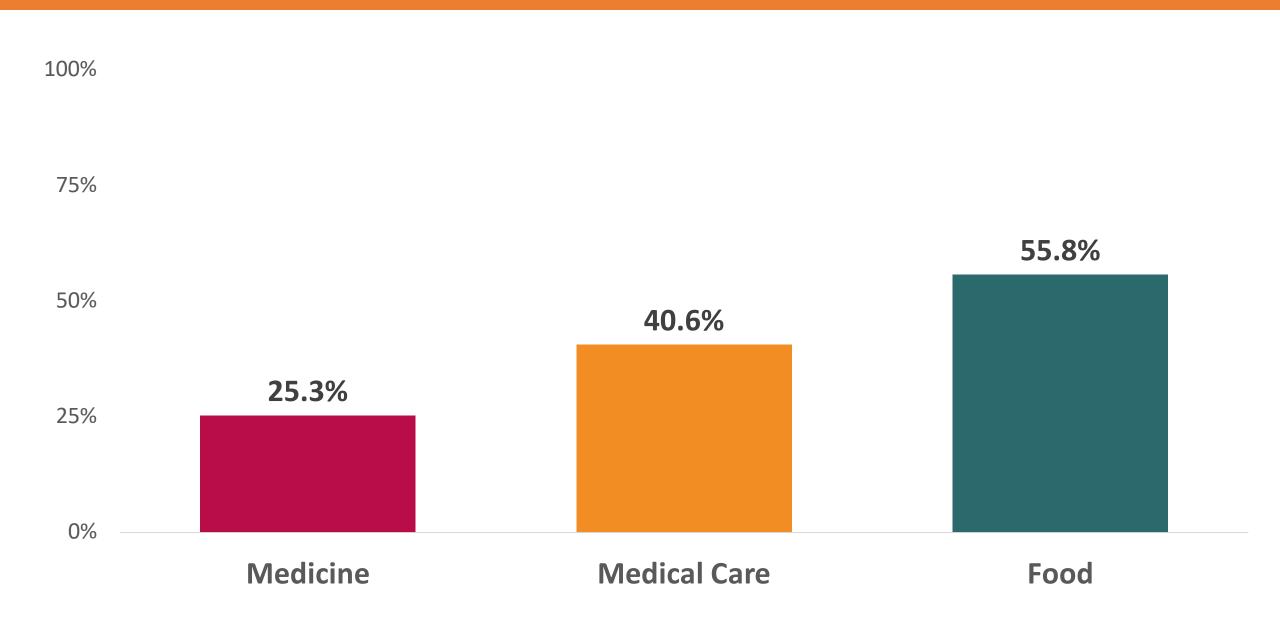




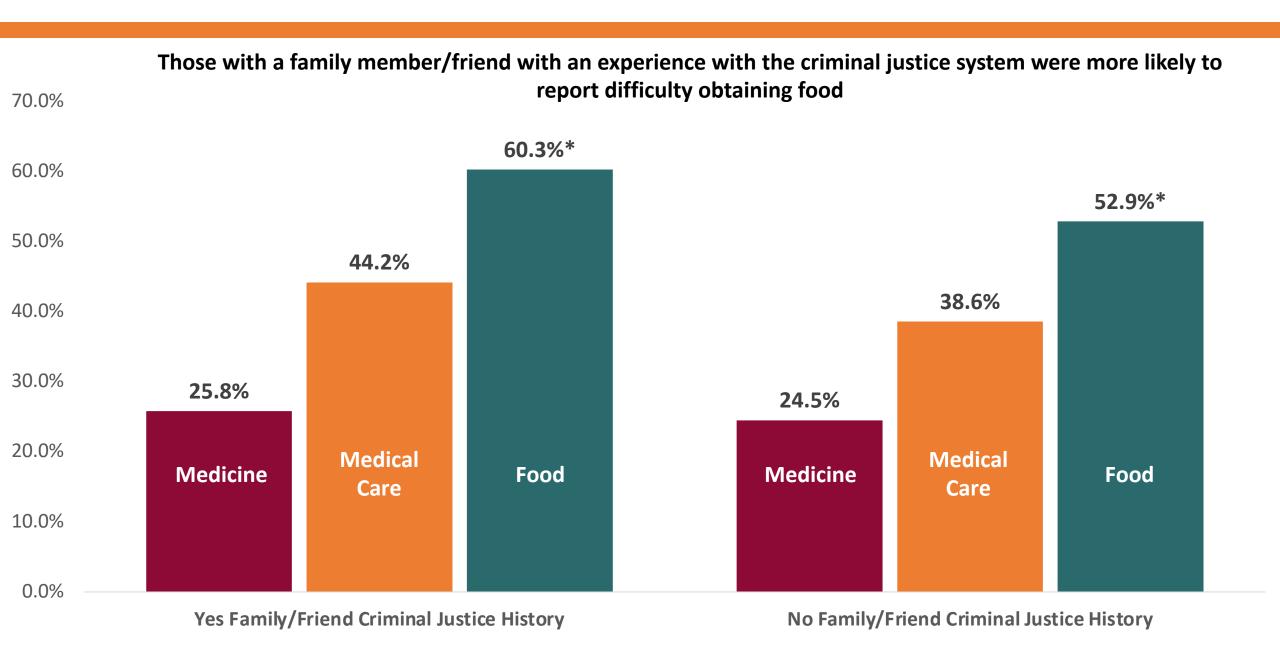
Financial Challenges During COVID Differs by History Of Opioid Misuse



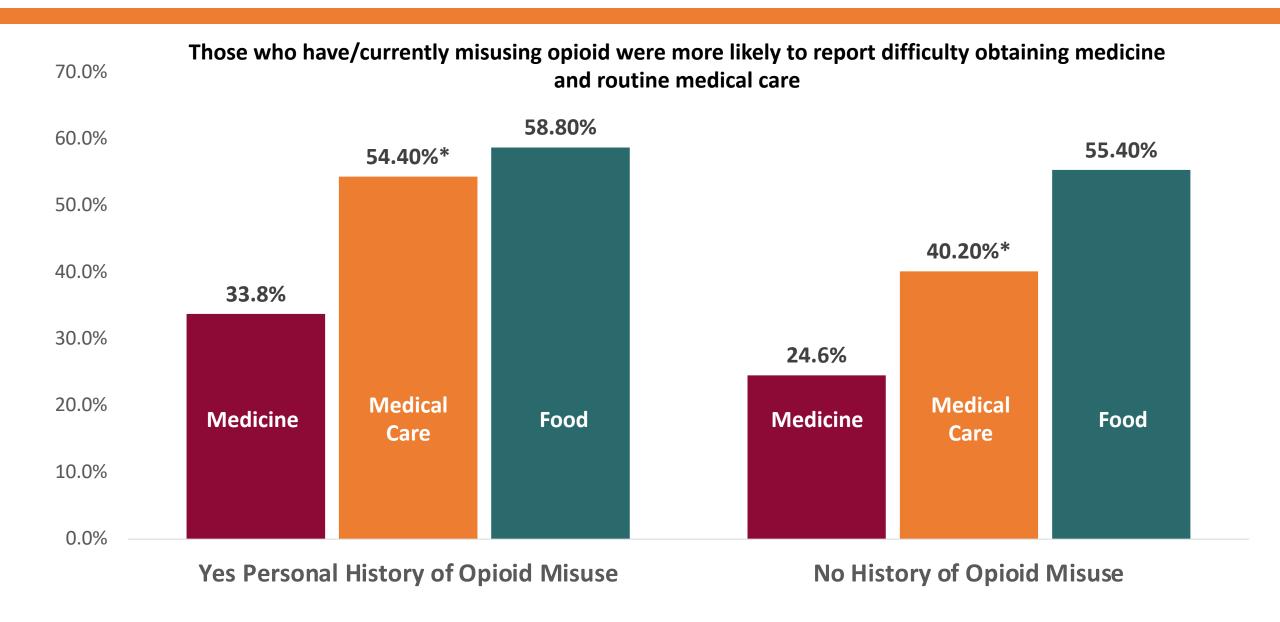
Difficulty Obtaining Medicine, Medical Care, & Food During COVID (N=996)



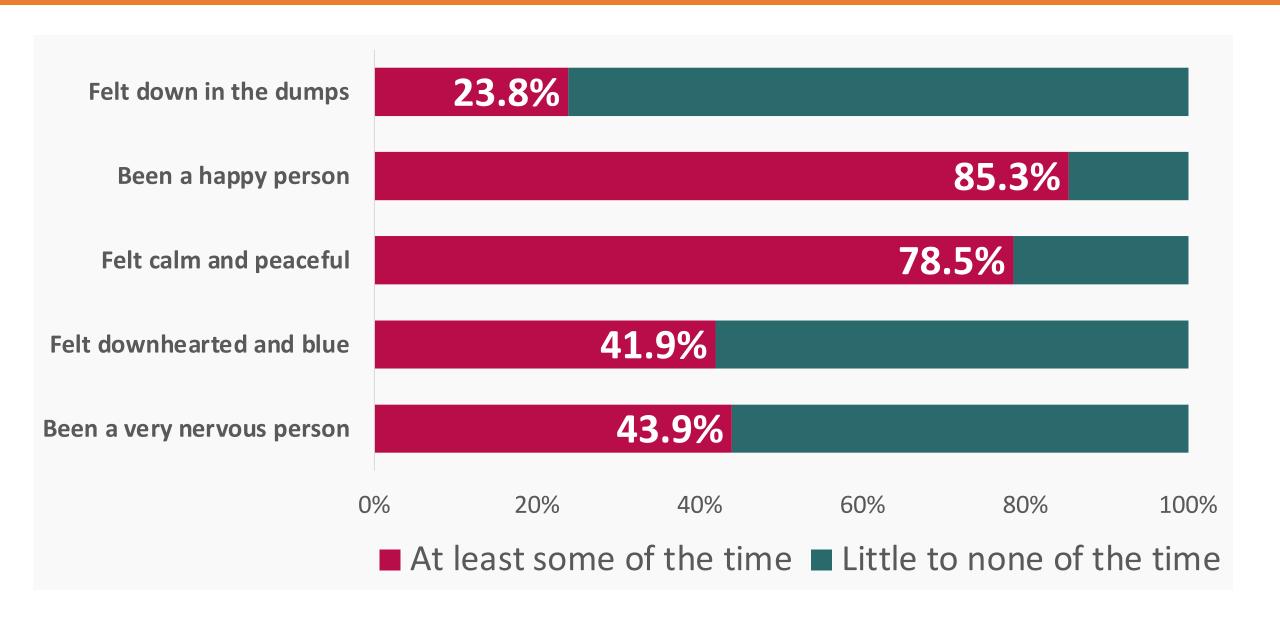
Difficulty With Personal Care During COVID Slightly Differs By Criminal Justice Experience (N=983)



Difficulty W/ Medical Care During COVID Slightly Differs By Opioid Misuse (N=987)



Mental Health During COVID-19 Social Distancing (N=996)



MHI-5 Mental Health Scores Do Not Differ by Criminal Justice Experience



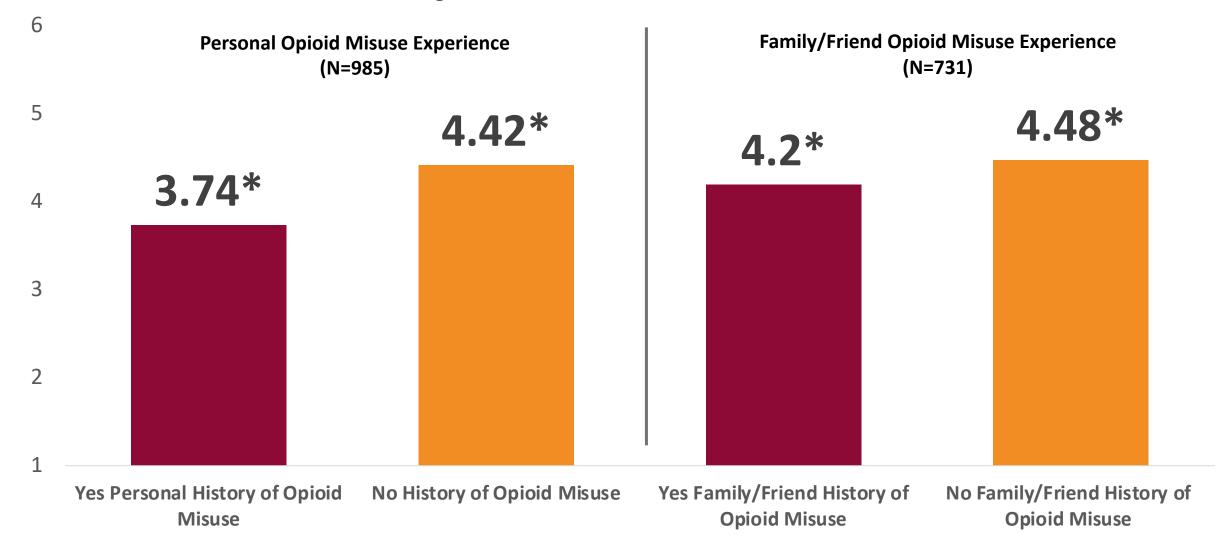
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Mental Health Scores Significantly Differ by Opioid Use Experience

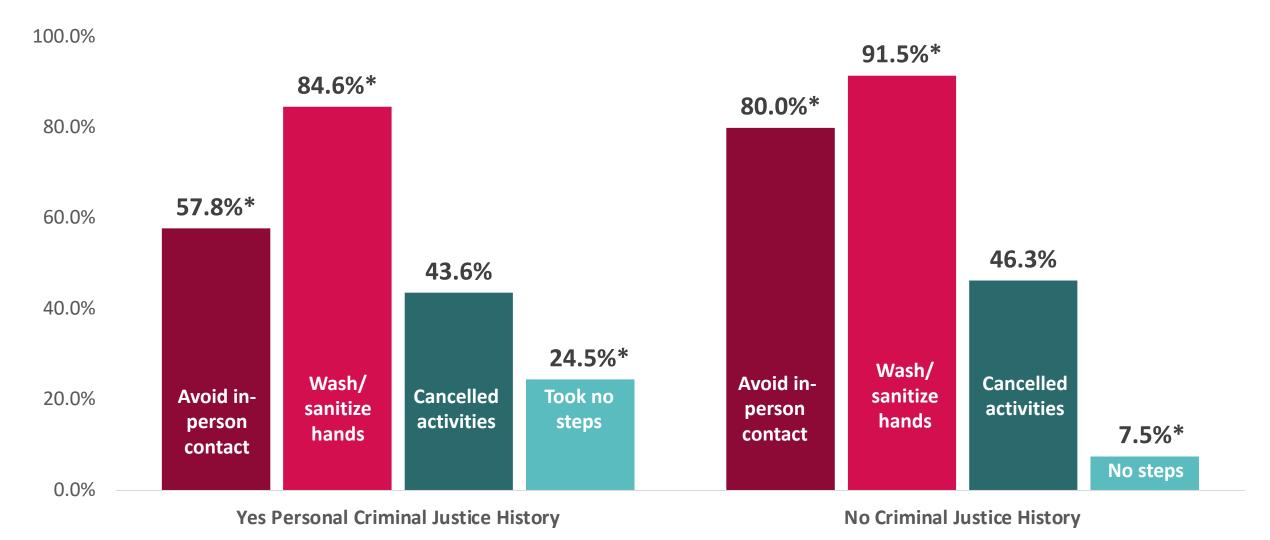


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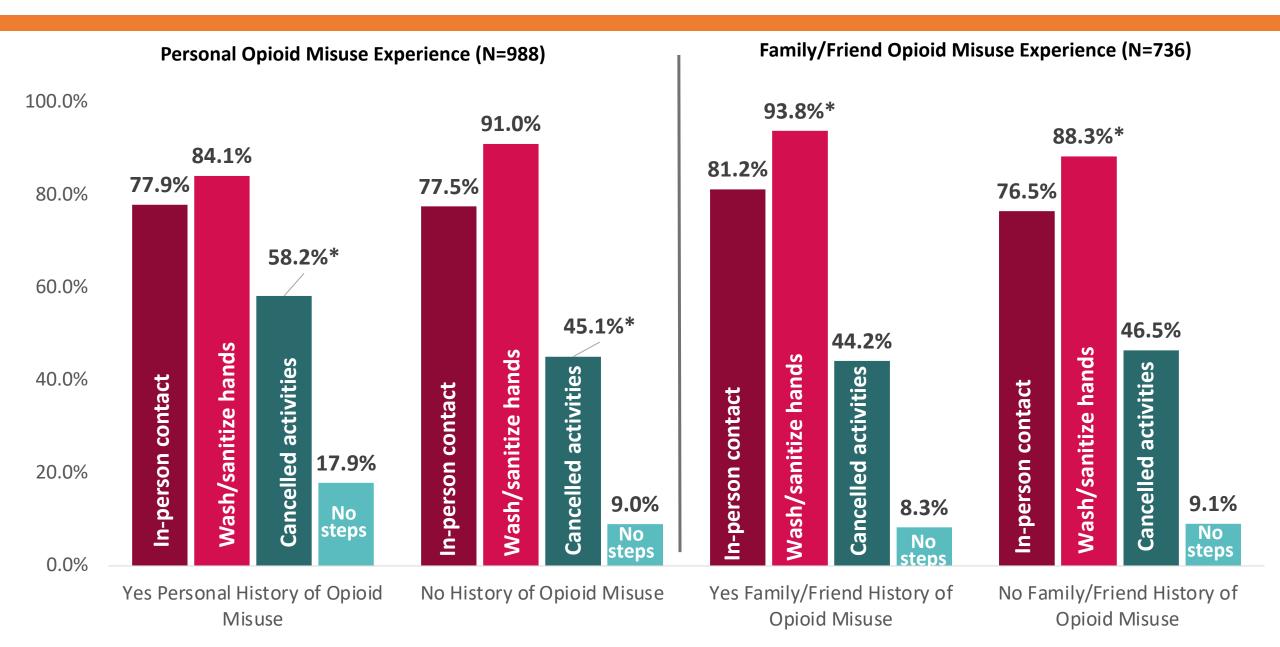


Some Protective Actions Differ by Criminal Justice Experience (N=988)

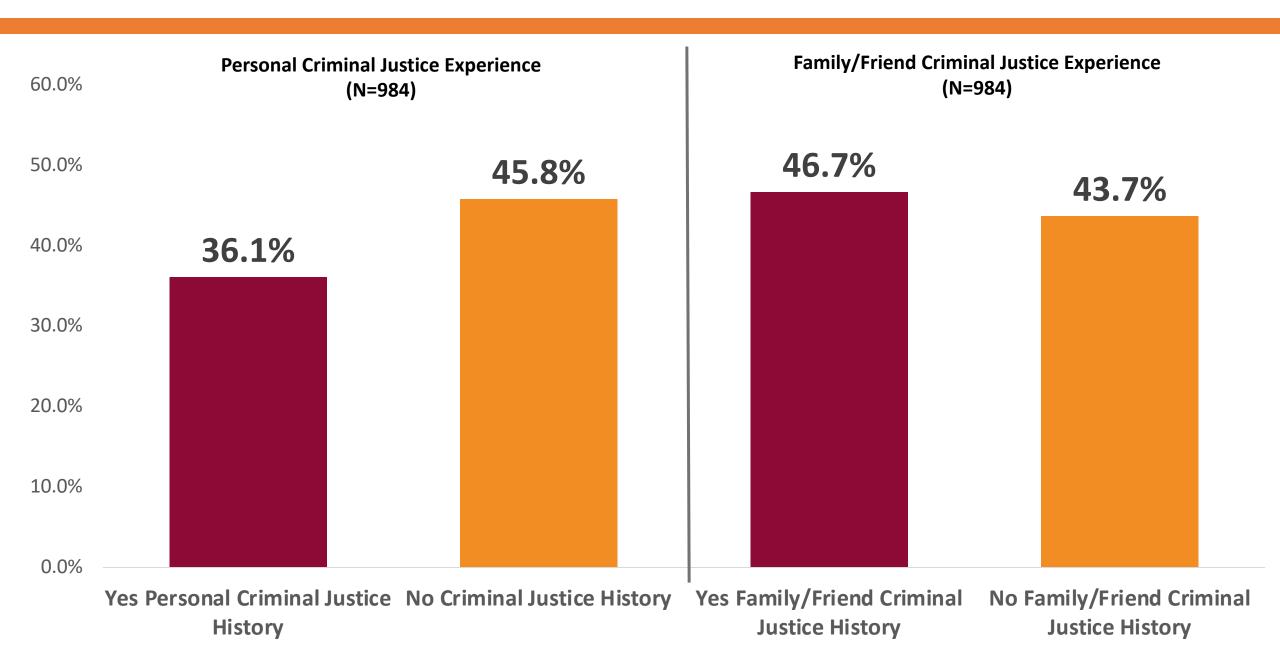
Those with a history with the criminal justice system were less likely to avoid in-person contact, cancel work/school activities, wash/sanitize hands more, and not take any steps to prevent COVID exposure



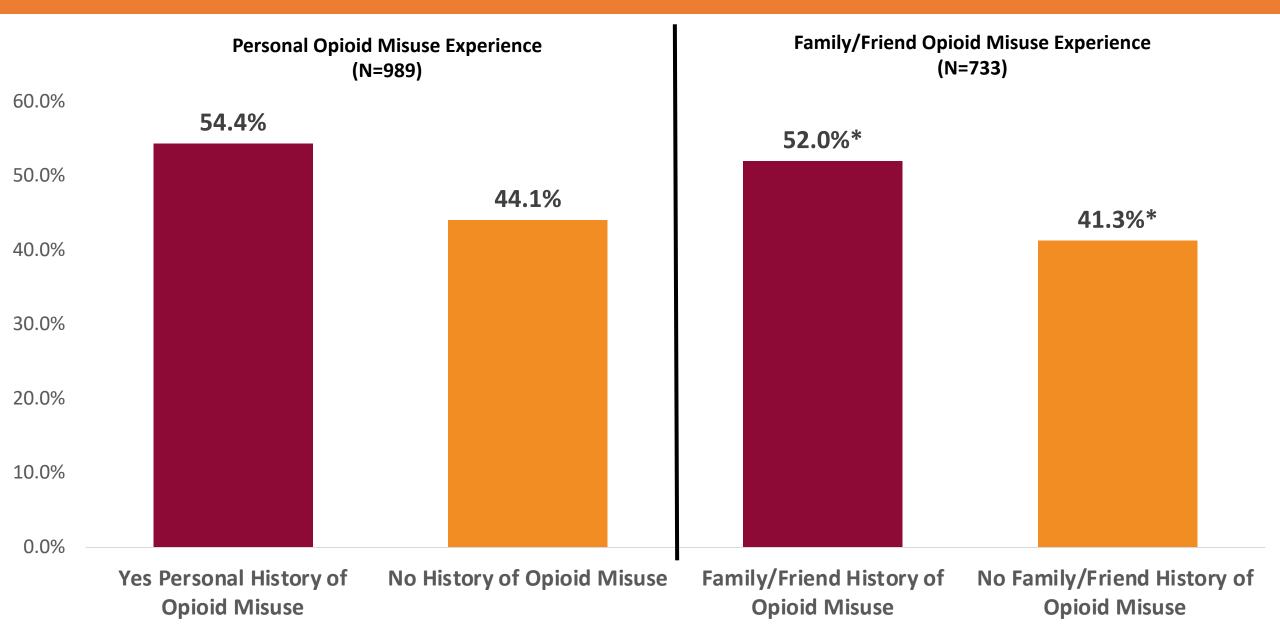
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Hesitation to Seek Medical Care Due to COVID Does Not Differ by Criminal Justice Experience

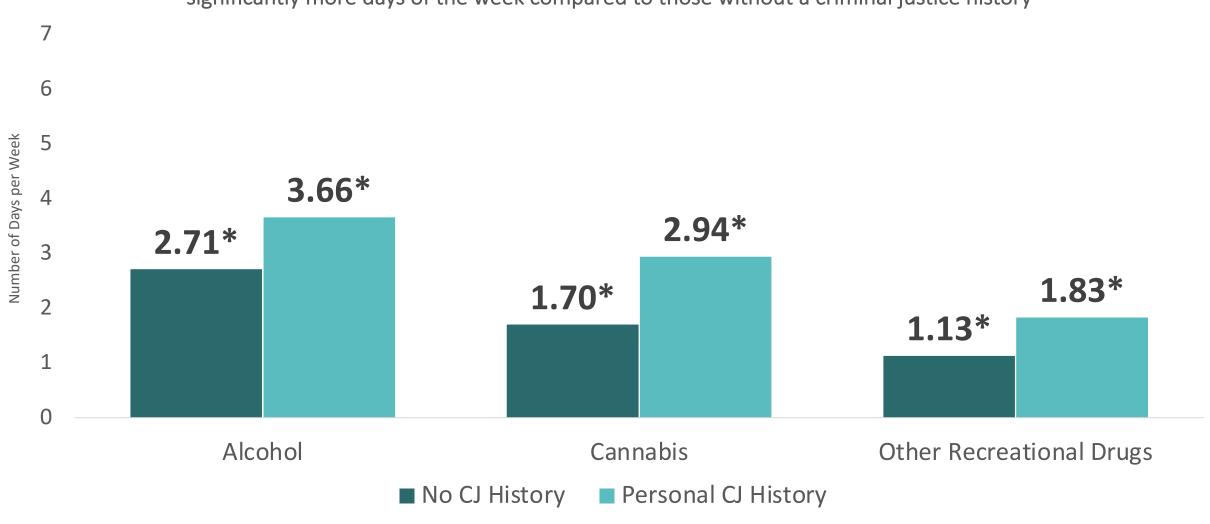


Hesitation to Seek Medical Care Due to COVID Differs by Family/Friend Opioid Misuse



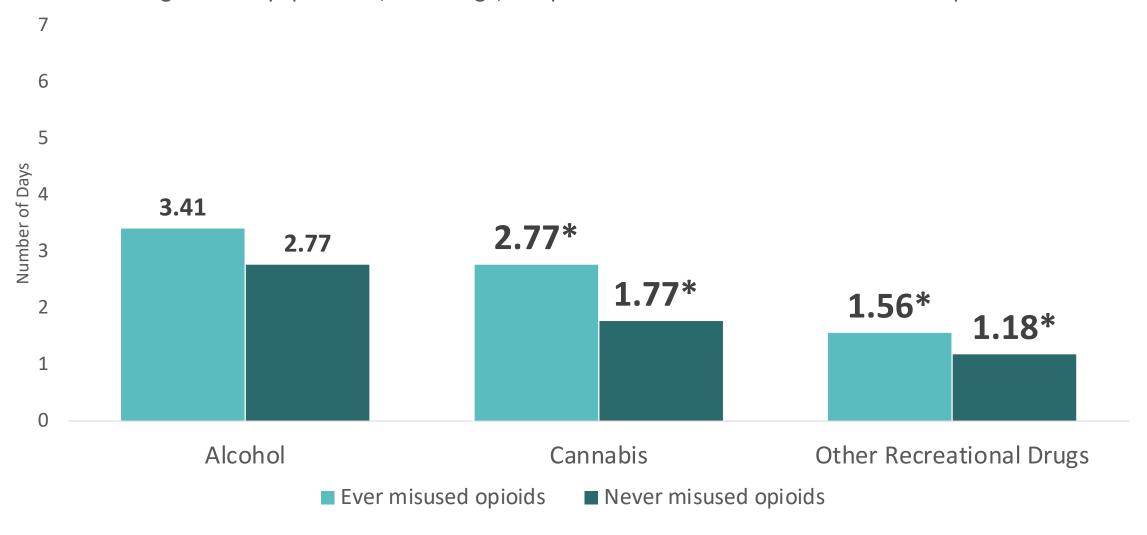
Substance use during COVID-19 differs by criminal justice history (n=988)

Those with a personal criminal justice history used alcohol, cannabis, and other recreational drugs significantly more days of the week compared to those without a criminal justice history



Substance use during COVID-19 differs by ever misusing opioids (n=992)

People who have ever misused opioids are using alcohol, cannabis, and other recreational drugs more days per week, on average, compared to those who have never misused opioids



Summary: Key Differences by Criminal Justice Experience

Respondents that have a **personal** history with the criminal justice system

Were more likely to:

- Get **tested for COVID**, (p<.001), have a **positive** COVID test (p=.005), and a household **COVID death** (p<.001)
- Not take any steps in response to COVID (p<.001)
- Have issues paying rent or mortgage during COVID (p=.014)

Were less likely to:

- Avoid in-person contact with friends or family (p<.001)
- Wash or sanitize hands more than usual (p=.023)

Summary: Key Differences by Opioid Misuse Experience

Respondents with a personal history of opioid misuse were more likely to:

- Have a positive COVID test (p<.001) and a household COVID death (p<.001)
- Have poorer mental health (p<.001)
- Not take any steps in response to COVID (p=.017)
- Have issues paying rent or mortgage during COVID (p<.001) or have a household member get laid off (p<.001)
- Have difficulty obtaining routine medical care due to COVID (p=.021)