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FOREWORD

The Missouri Division of Alcohol and Drug Abuse is pleased to present this Tenth Edition of the *Status Report on Missouri's Alcohol and Drug Abuse Problems*.

The Status Report compares state and national rates of alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use. It highlights some of the consequences of substance abuse as reported by various public entities. Trend data and charts illustrate the changes in the magnitude of substance abuse problems during the last several years. This edition also presents estimates of the number of Missouri residents needing alcohol and drug abuse treatment services, based on recent surveys and studies conducted in Missouri.

The Division of Alcohol and Drug Abuse contracts with substance abuse treatment programs to provide publicly supported services, and this report summarizes the characteristics of the clients receiving those services. Additional information regarding treatment and prevention services is available from the Division's regional offices located in Kansas City, St. Louis, Springfield, Jefferson City, and Rolla. The addresses and phone numbers of these offices are listed on the state map in the appendix of this report.

Inquiries and comments pertaining to the Status Report should be directed to the Division's Research and Statistics unit. The three most recent editions are accessible on the web through the "Reports" webpage of the Division at:

<http://www.dmh.missouri.gov/ada/rpts/>

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael Couty".

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