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**THE PROVISION OF DRUG TREATMENT SERVICES: CHALLENGES AND SOLUTIONS**



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## **PANEL 1: THE PROVISION OF DRUG TREATMENT SERVICES: CHALLENGES AND SOLUTIONS**

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- What are the characteristics of persons seeking drug treatment?
- What are the profiles of the institutions that provide treatment services?
- What are the main practical challenges in this area and are there any emerging issues?
- How can we institute minimum standards of care?



1. Brief Introduction to treatment data system – **Pernell Clarke**, *CICAD*.
2. Profile of drug treatment services – **Rochelle Basden**, *Deputy Director of Psychology Services, Sandilands Rehabilitation Center, Bahamas*
3. Challenges affecting service providers and emerging issues - **Patrice Whitehorne-Smith**, *Drug Treatment Specialist, Jamaica*
4. Standards of care for drug treatment – **Luis Alfonso**, *Advisor on Substance Abuse, PAHO*
5. Questions and comments.



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# Standardized Data Collection System for Drug and Alcohol Treatment Facilities

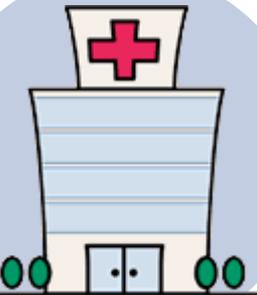


Information about the number and characteristics of drug users who seek help and the treatment they receive is valuable for several reasons:

- Planning
- Management
- Needs Assessment
- Provide Epidemiological Indicators of drug problems
- Inform and develop drug policy



Drug users are often  
difficult to reach



Treatment facilities provide  
an opportunity to observe  
what would otherwise be a  
'hidden' problem

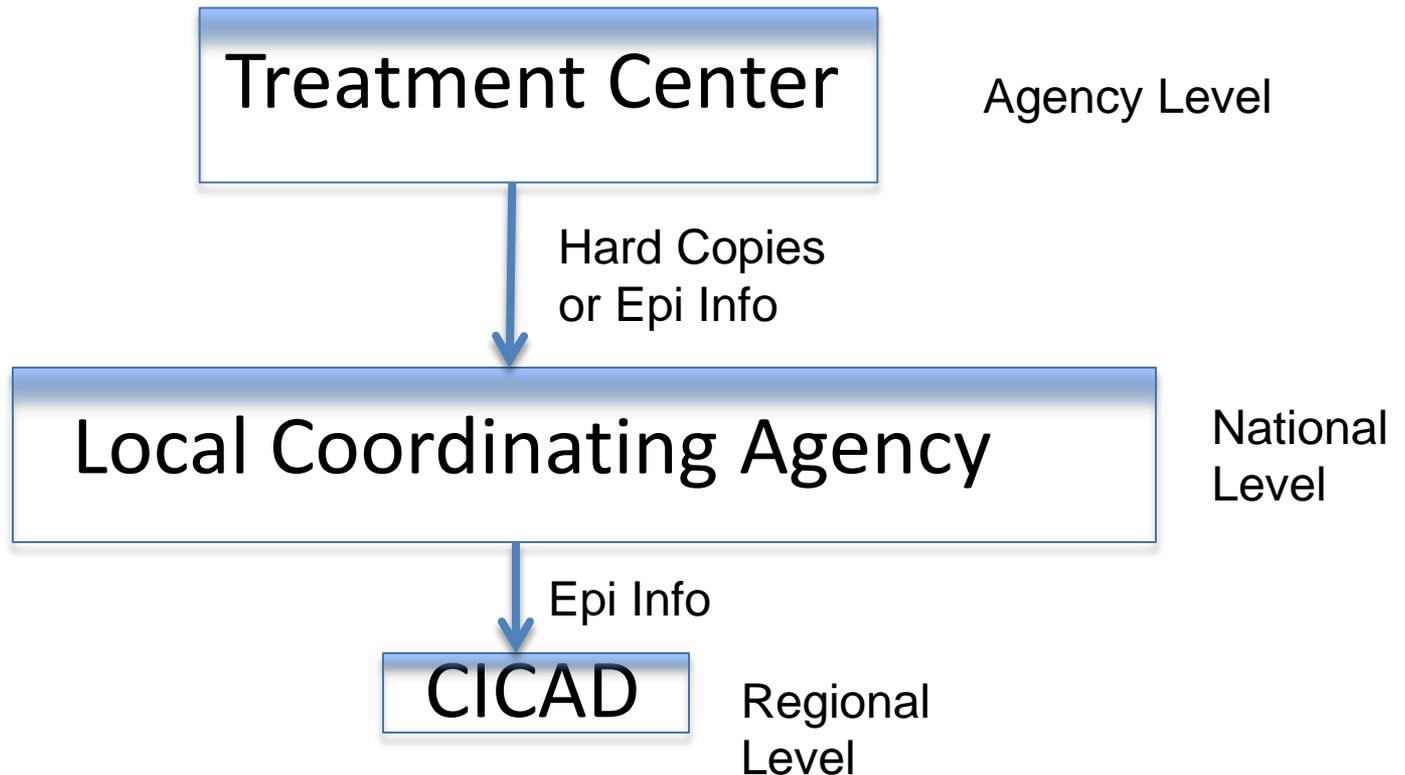


The objective of the TDP is to collect information on persons seeking treatment in all of our member states in a standardized way. This allows us to:

- Build a profile of the demographic characteristics, drug using behaviors, and treatment history, of these persons.
- Establish trends
- Identify risk factors for problematic drug use.



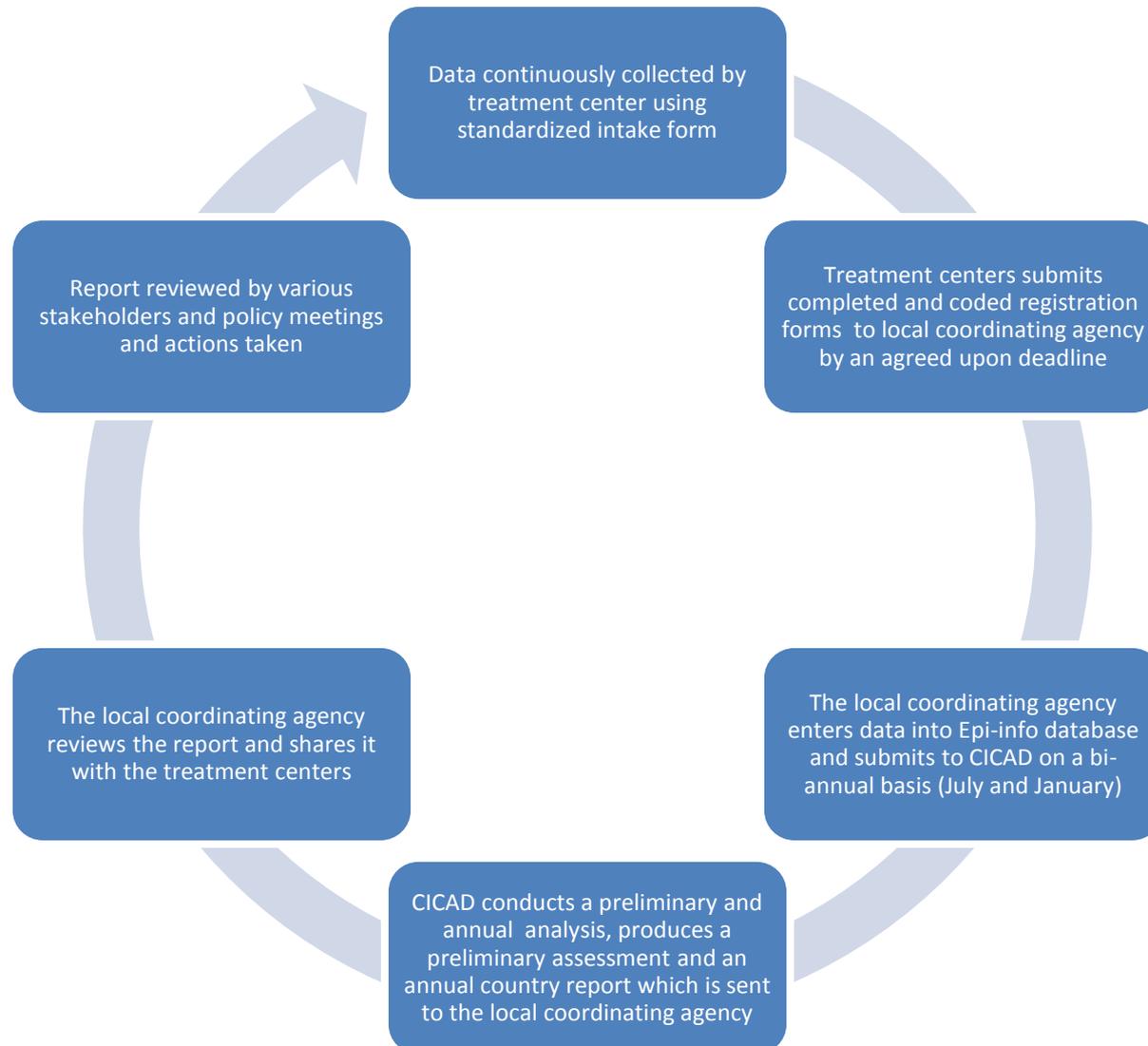
- The Client (demographics)
- Treatment history
- Drug(s) prompting demand for treatment.
- Drug Use (last 30 days)
- Judicial information (history of arrest)
- History of treatment for psychiatric conditions
- Placement



# Data Collection and Analysis Cycle



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# What the protocol does not try to do.....



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Patient tracking: i.e. tracking a patient as he or she advances through their treatment program.

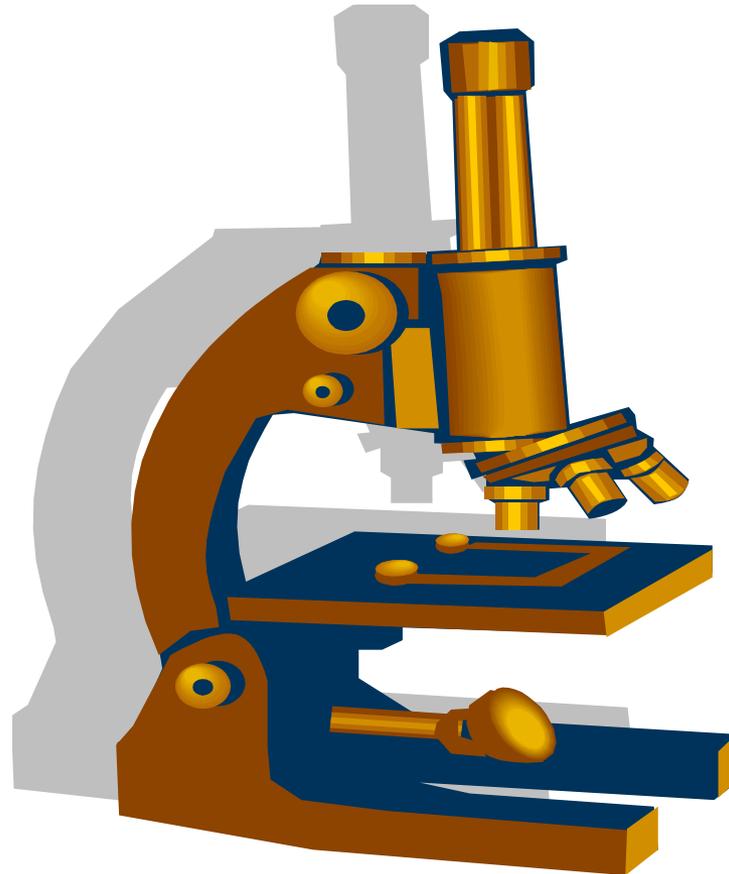
Collect information that identifies specific individuals.

Evaluate the effectiveness and or outcomes of a treatment center.

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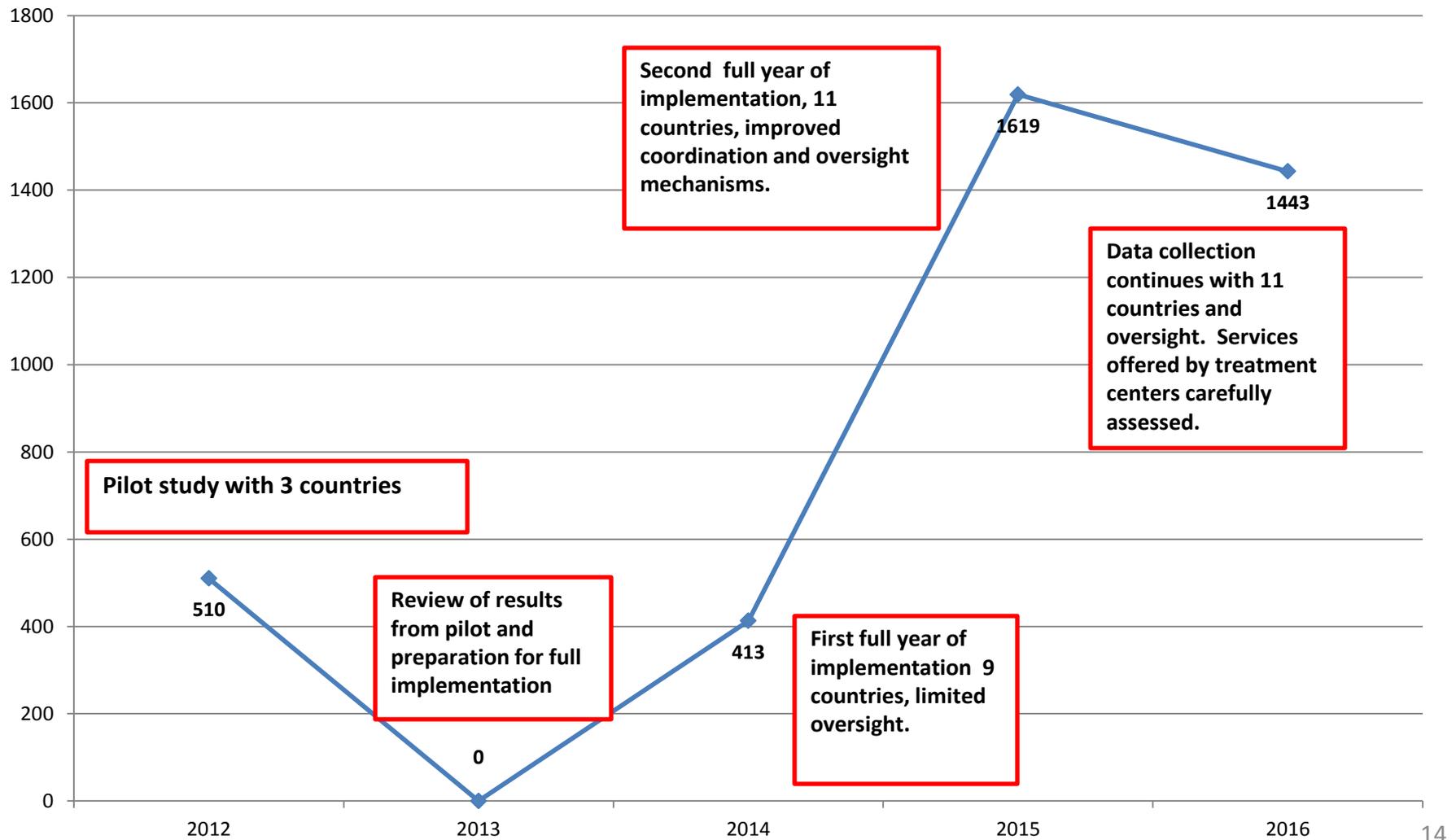


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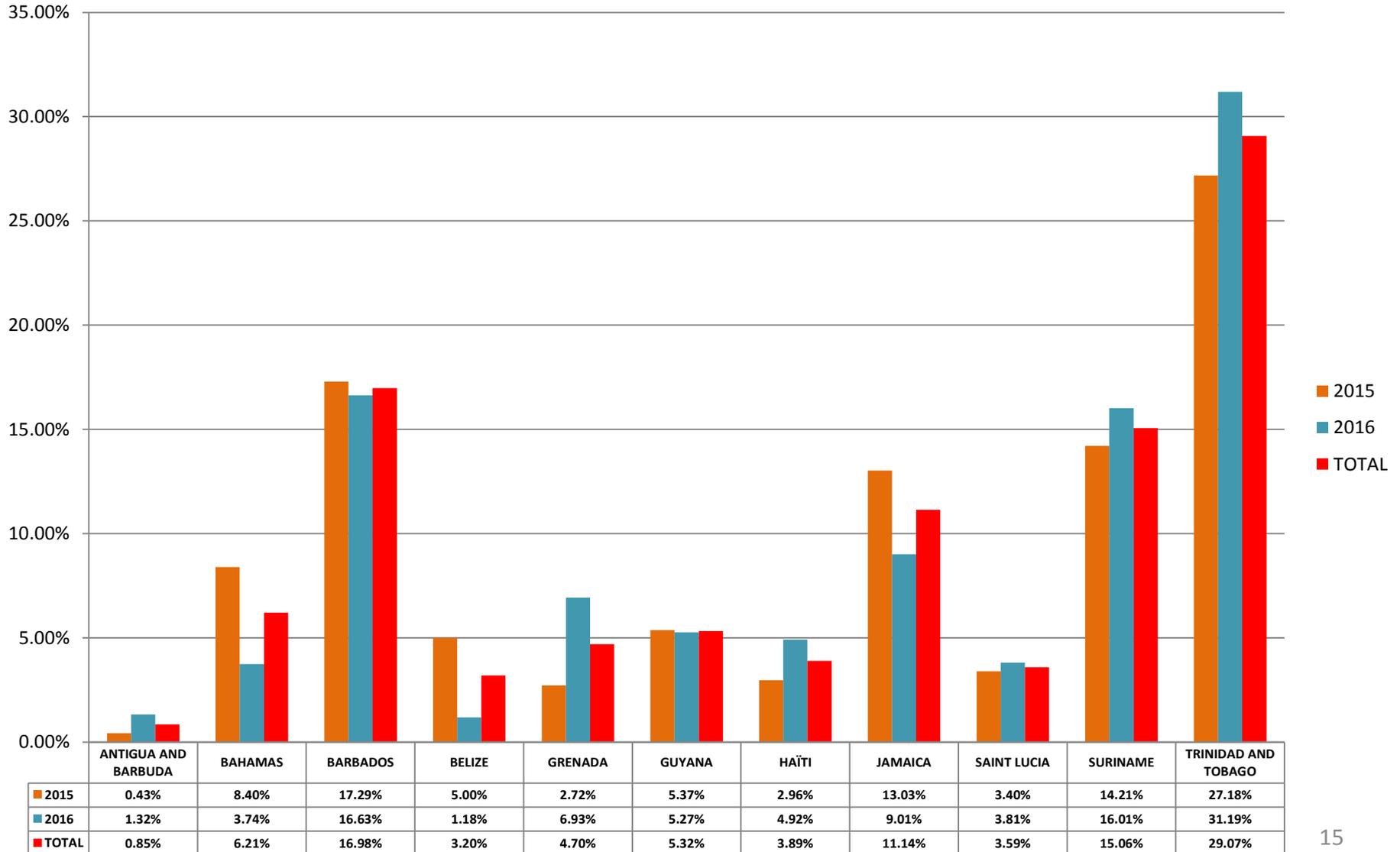




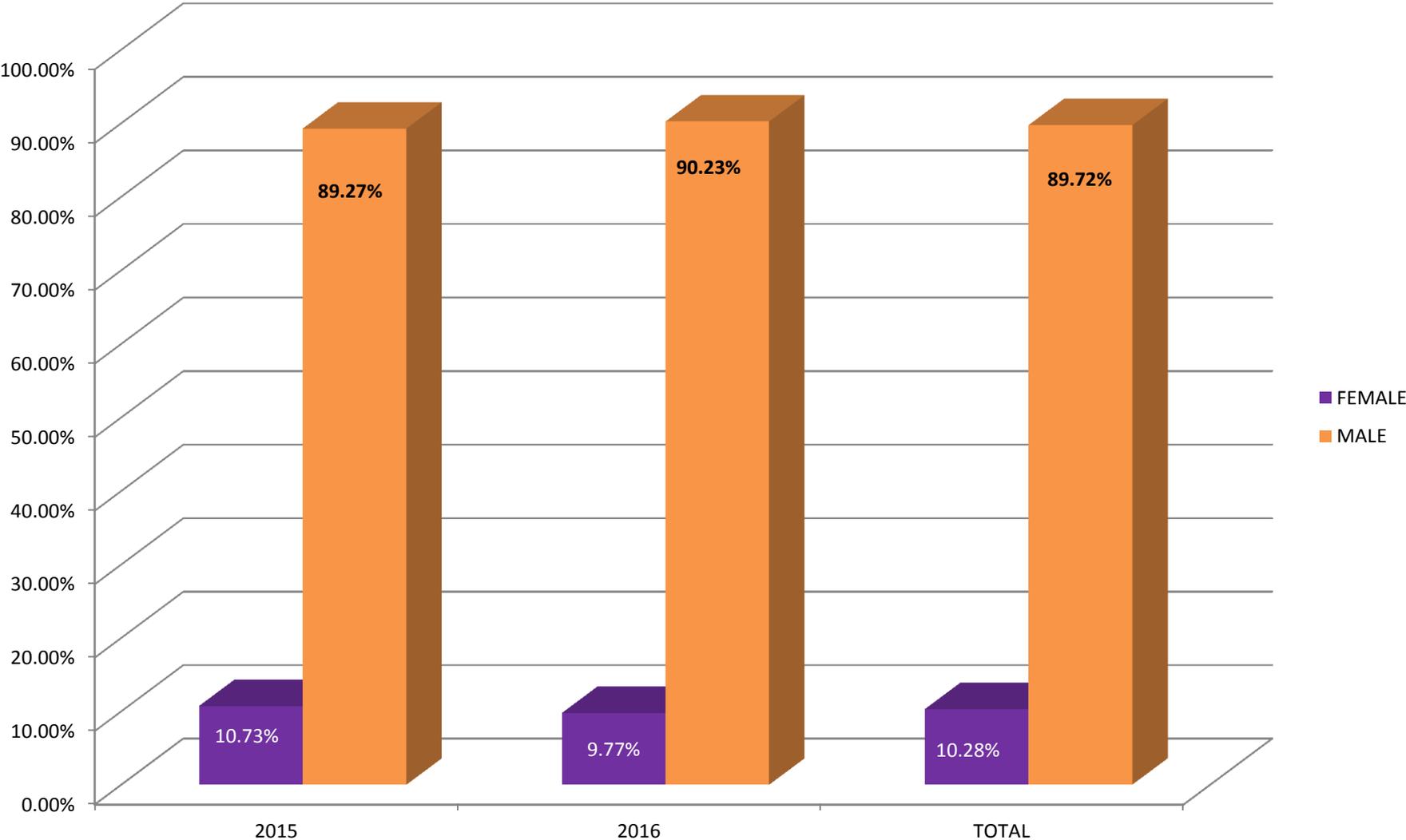
## 2012-2016



# TREATMENT CASES DISTRIBUTED BY COUNTRY



# TREATMENT CASES DISTRIBUTED BY SEX

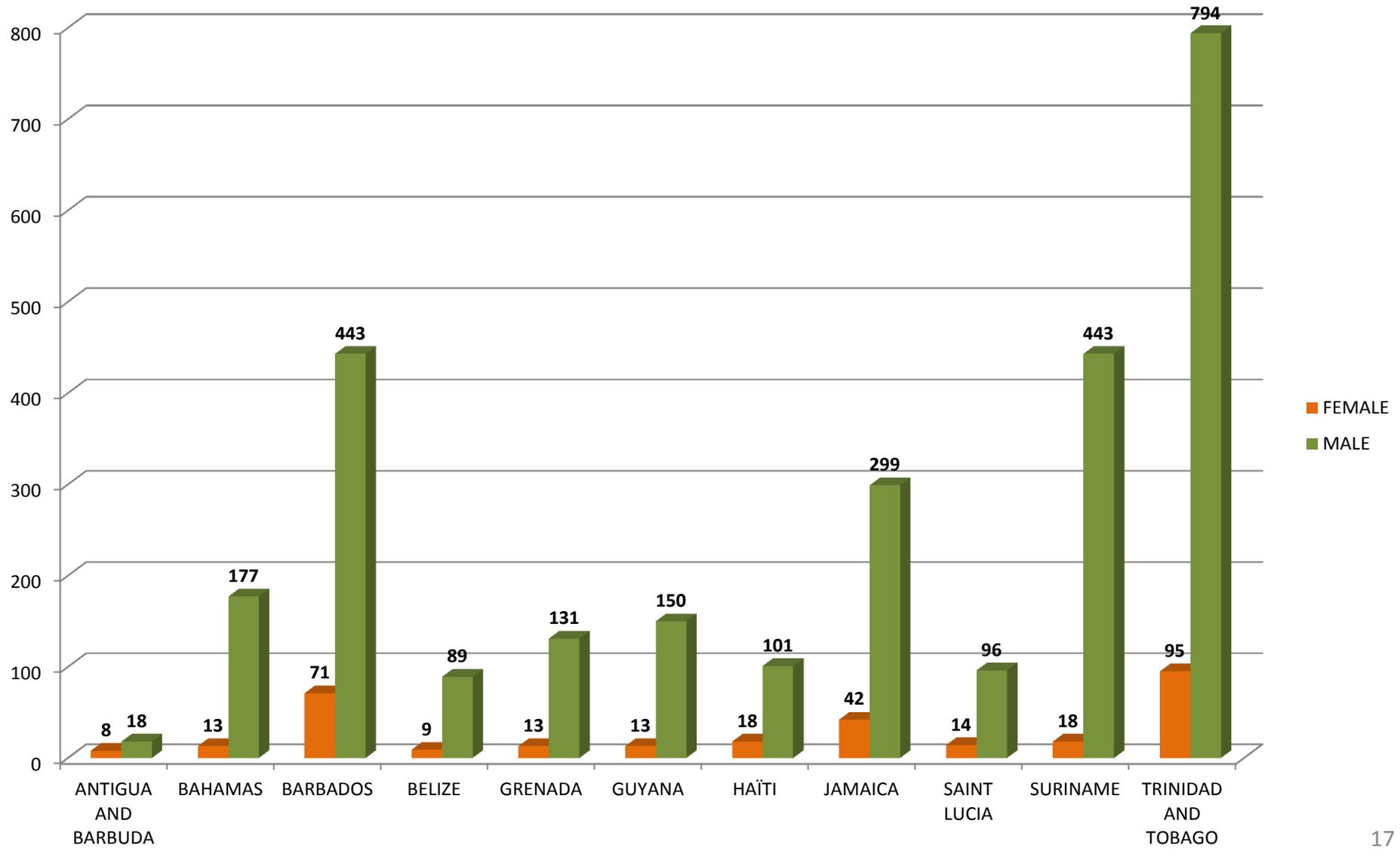


# SEX DISTRIBUTION BY COUNTRY

2015-2016



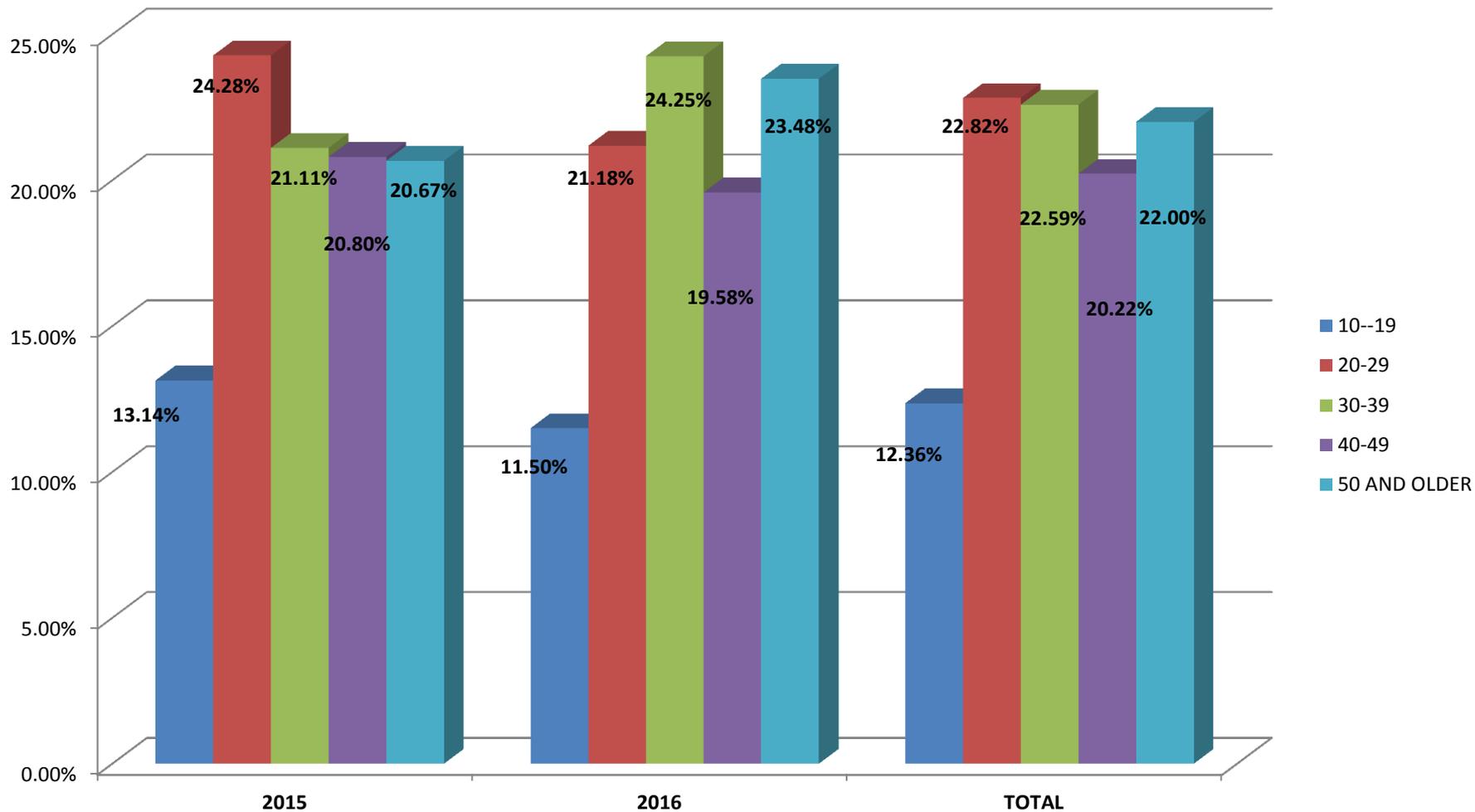
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# AGE DISTRIBUTION OF PERSONS SEEKING TREATMENT DISTRIBUTED BY YEAR



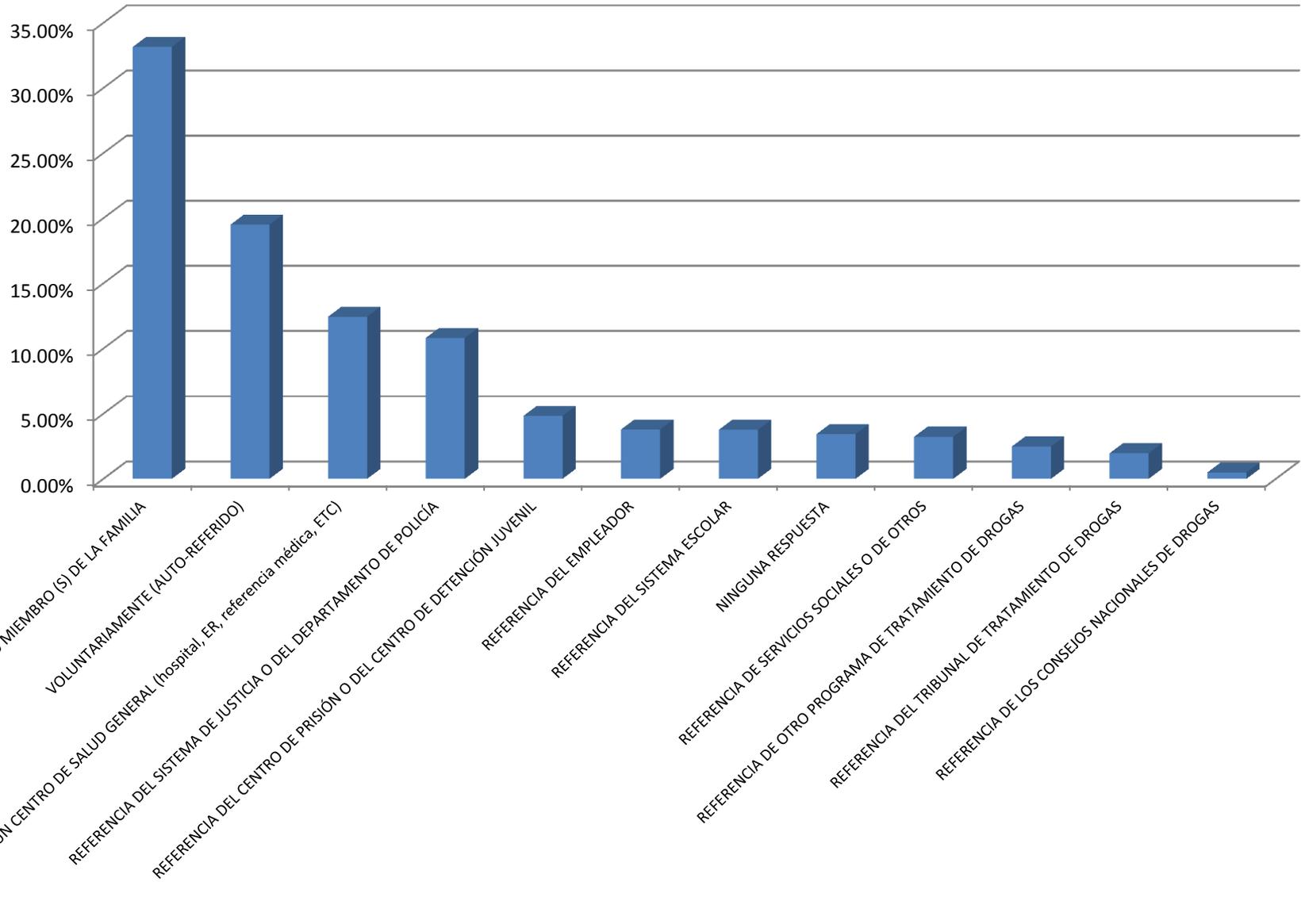
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# SOURCE OF REFERRAL TO TREATMENT



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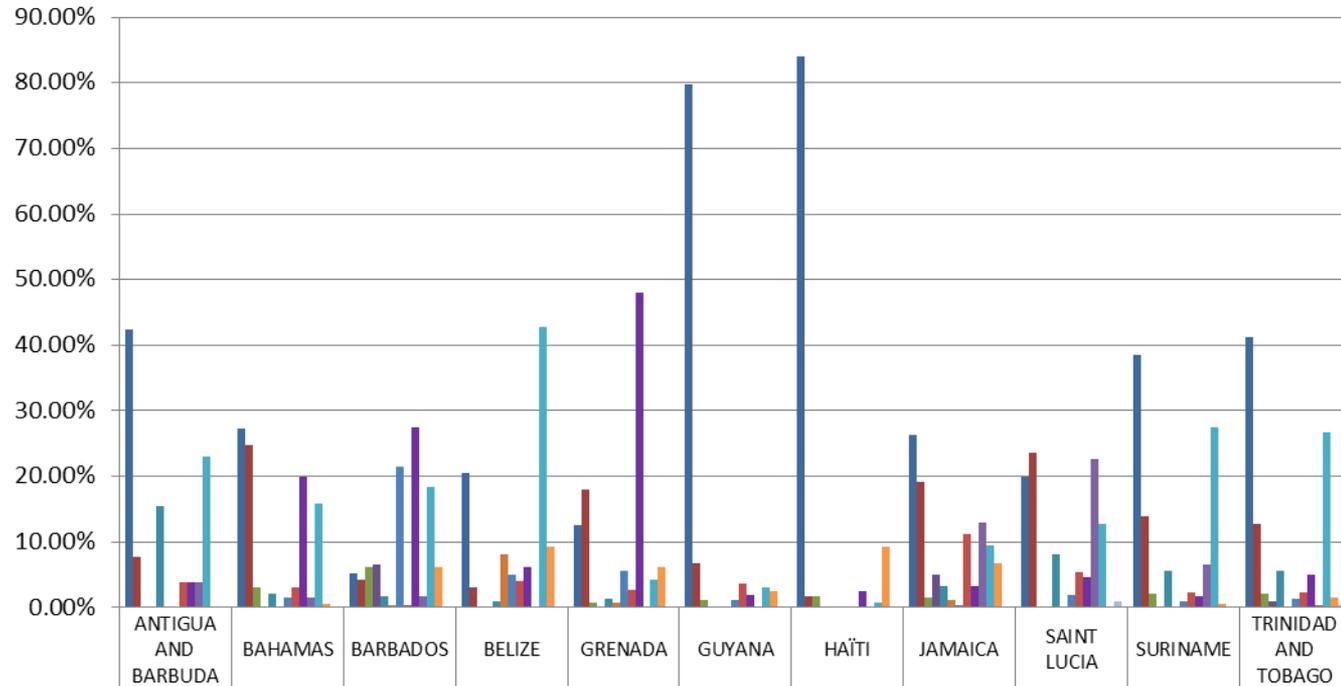
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Most important referral sources: encouragement from friends; then self referral.

Referrals from health care system and from justice systems were relatively low

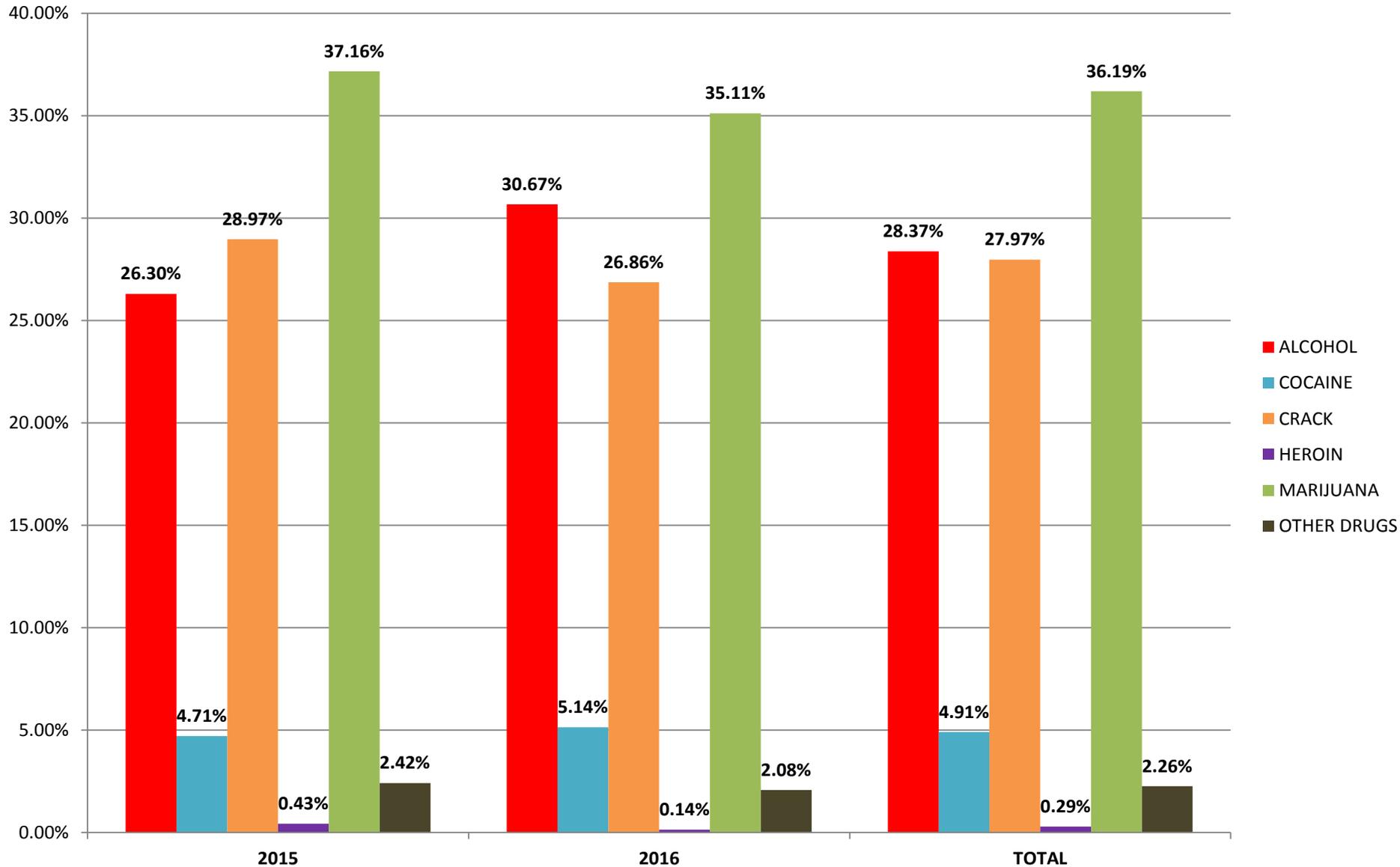


	ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA	BAHAMAS	BARBADOS	BELIZE	GRENADA	GUYANA	HAÏTI	JAMAICA	SAINT LUCIA	SURINAME	TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO
ENCOURAGEMENT FROM FRIEND(S) OR FAMILY MEMBER(S)	42.31%	27.37%	5.19%	20.41%	12.50%	79.75%	84.03%	26.39%	20.00%	38.61%	41.24%
REFERRAL FROM A GENERAL HEALTH CENTER (hospital,ER, medical referral, ETC)	7.69%	24.74%	4.23%	3.06%	18.06%	6.75%	1.68%	19.06%	23.64%	13.88%	12.70%
REFERRAL FROM ANOTHER DRUG TREATMENT PROGRAM	0.00%	3.16%	6.15%	0.00%	0.69%	1.23%	1.68%	1.47%	0.00%	2.17%	2.02%
REFERRAL FROM DRUG TREATMENT COURT	0.00%	0.00%	6.54%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	4.99%	0.00%	0.00%	1.01%
REFERRAL FROM EMPLOYER	15.38%	2.11%	1.73%	1.02%	1.39%	0.00%	0.00%	3.23%	8.18%	5.64%	5.62%
REFERRAL FROM NATIONAL DRUG COUNCILS	0.00%	0.00%	0.38%	8.16%	0.69%	0.00%	0.00%	1.17%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
REFERRAL FROM PRISON OR JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER	0.00%	1.58%	21.54%	5.10%	5.56%	1.23%	0.00%	0.29%	1.82%	0.87%	1.24%
REFERRAL FROM SOCIAL SERVICES OR OTHER (churches, community services)	3.85%	3.16%	0.38%	4.08%	2.78%	3.68%	0.00%	11.14%	5.45%	2.39%	2.36%
REFERRAL FROM THE JUSTICE SYSTEM OR POLICE DEPARTMENT	3.85%	20.00%	27.50%	6.12%	47.92%	1.84%	2.52%	3.23%	4.55%	1.74%	4.94%
REFERRAL FROM THE SCHOOL SYSTEM	3.85%	1.58%	1.73%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	12.90%	22.73%	6.51%	0.34%
VOLUNTARILY (SELF-REFERRAL)	23.08%	15.79%	18.46%	42.86%	4.17%	3.07%	0.84%	9.38%	12.73%	27.55%	26.74%
NO RESPONSE	0.00%	0.53%	6.15%	9.18%	6.25%	2.45%	9.24%	6.74%	0.00%	0.65%	1.46%
OTHER	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.91%	0.00%	0.34%

# MAIN SUBSTANCE IMPACTING TREATMENT DISTRIBUTED BY YEAR



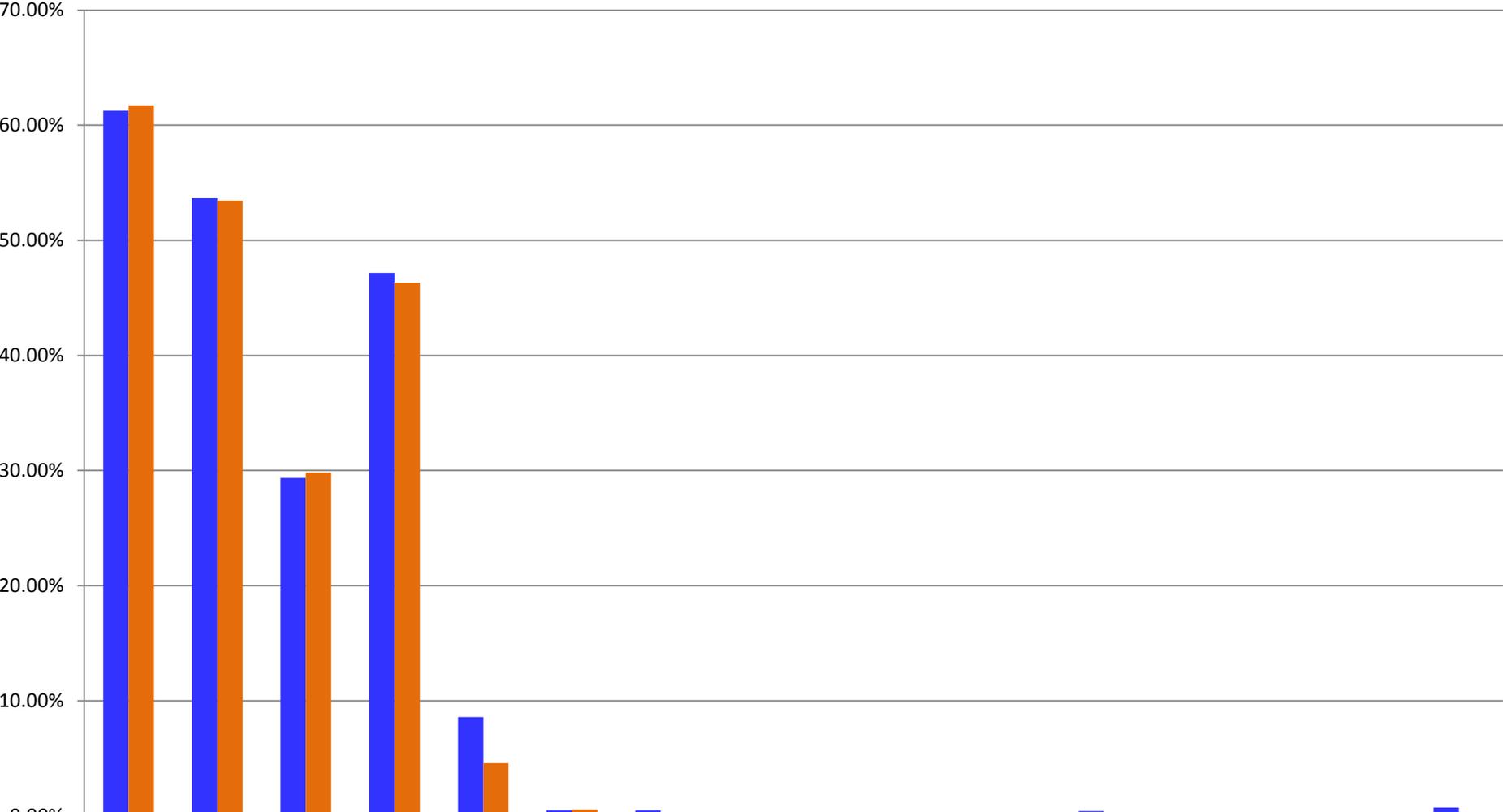
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# PAST MONTH SUBSTANCE USE BY YEAR



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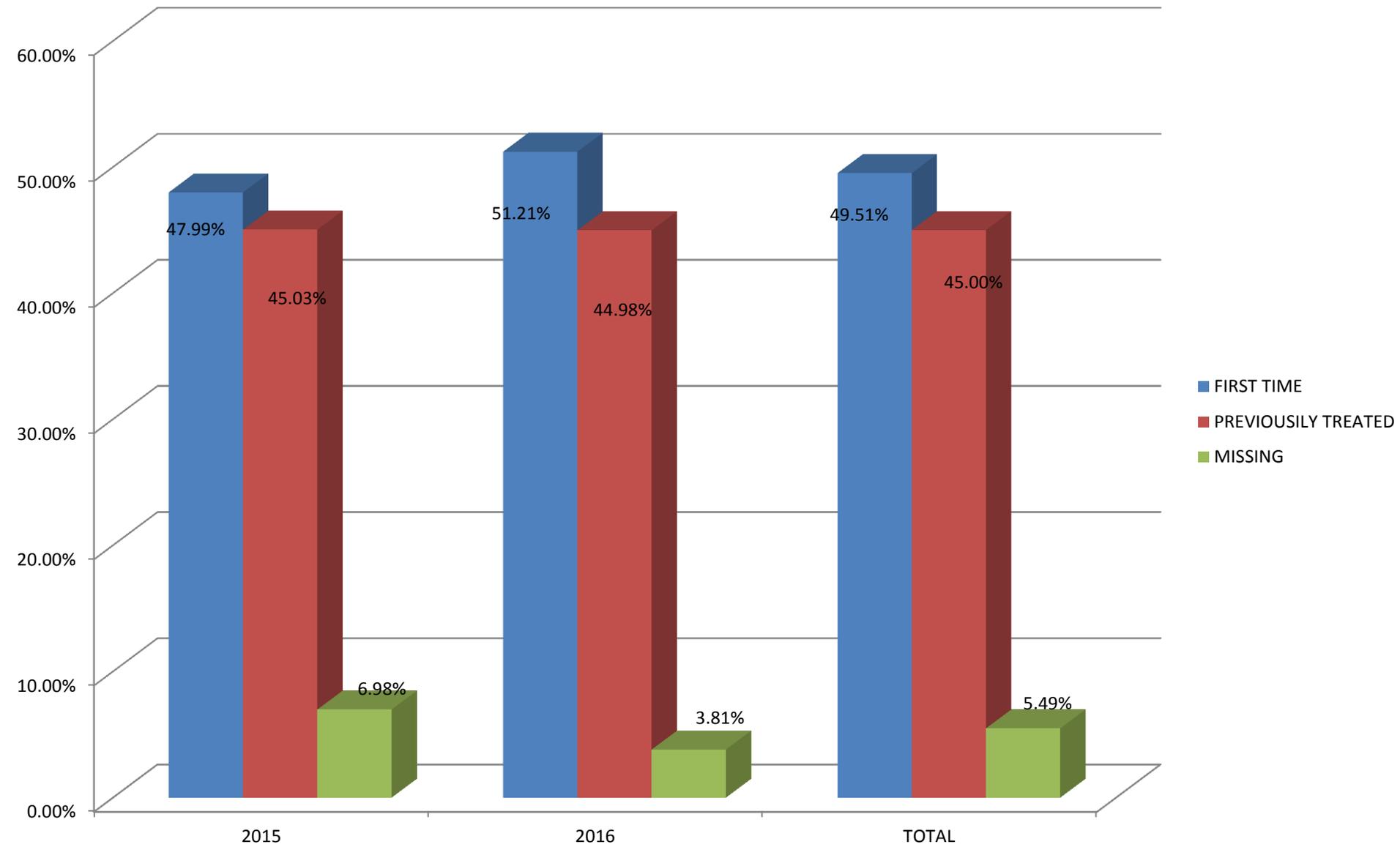
	ALCOHOL	CANNABIS MARIJUANA	CRACK COCAINE	TOBACCO	COCAINE	ABUSED PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION	HEROIN	AMPHETAMINES	ANABOLIC STEROIDS	BARBITURATES	BENZODIAZEPINES	COCAINE PAST	INHALANTS	LSD	METHADONE	METHAMPHETAMINES
■ 2015	61.25%	53.67%	29.36%	47.17%	8.59%	0.48%	0.48%	0.06%	0.06%	0.12%	0.18%	0.42%	0.18%	0.24%	0.30%	0.72%
■ 2016	61.72%	53.47%	29.82%	46.32%	4.58%	0.55%	0.28%	0.00%	0.00%	0.07%	0.14%	0.07%	0.14%	0.00%	0.07%	0.21%

# LIFETIME TREATMENT HISTORY

## DISTRIBUTED BY YEAR

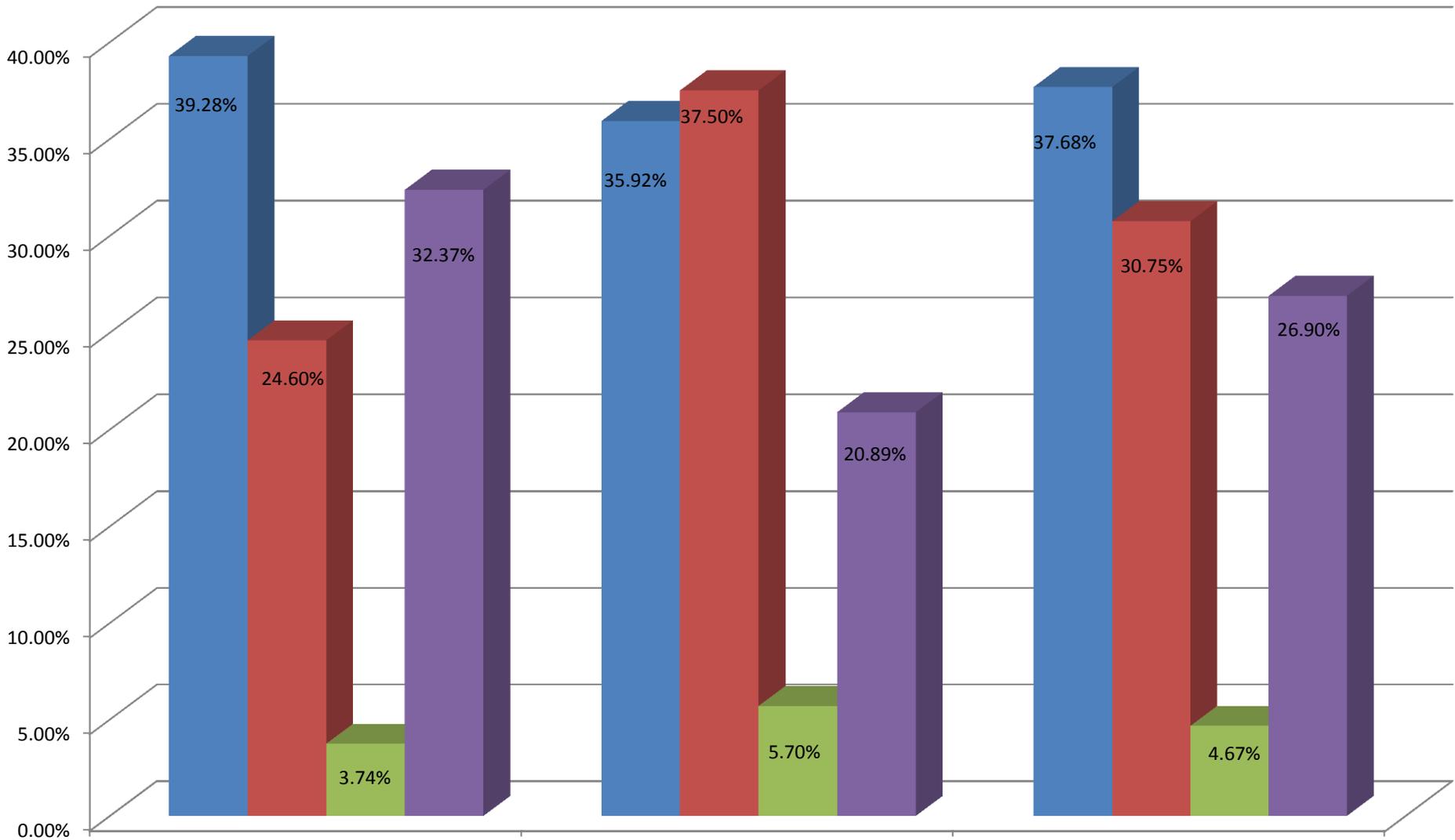


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# STATUS OF PREVIOUS TREATMENT PROGRAM

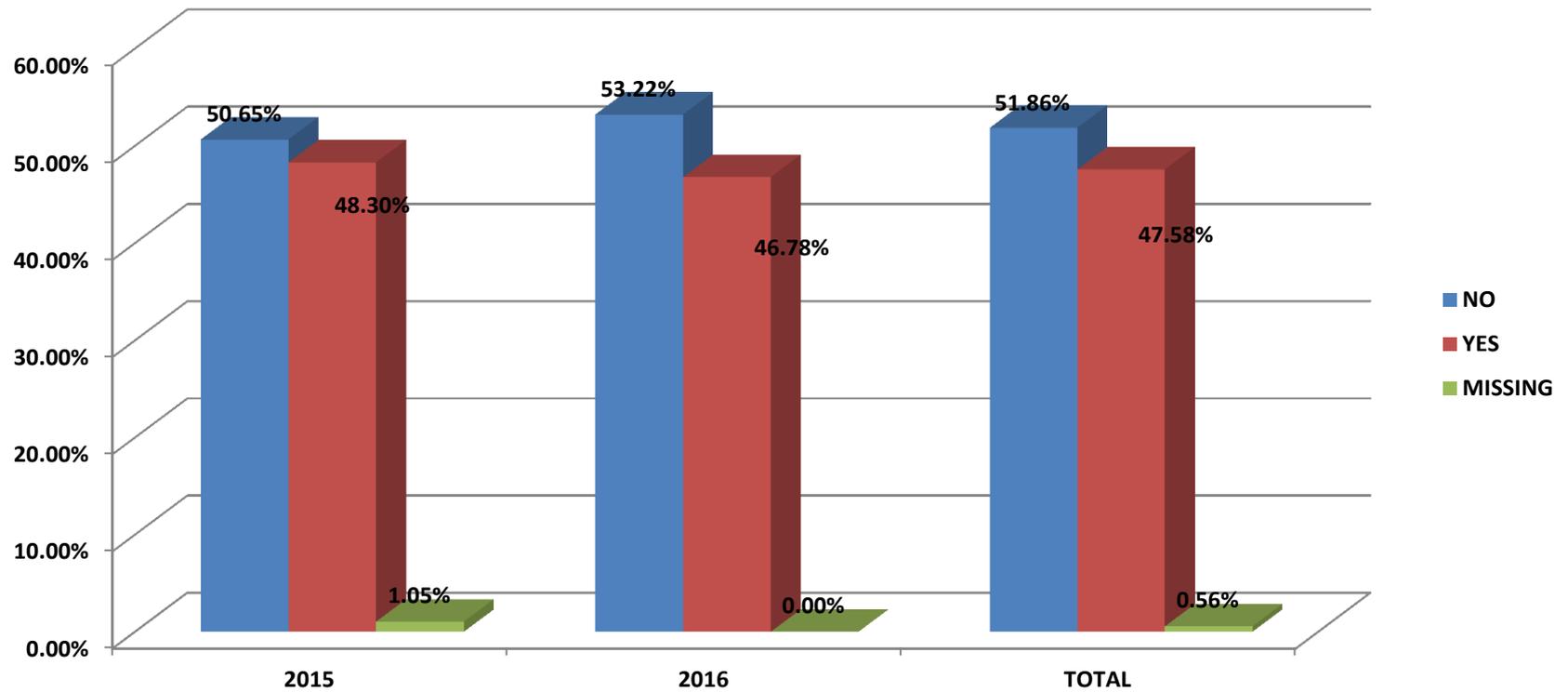
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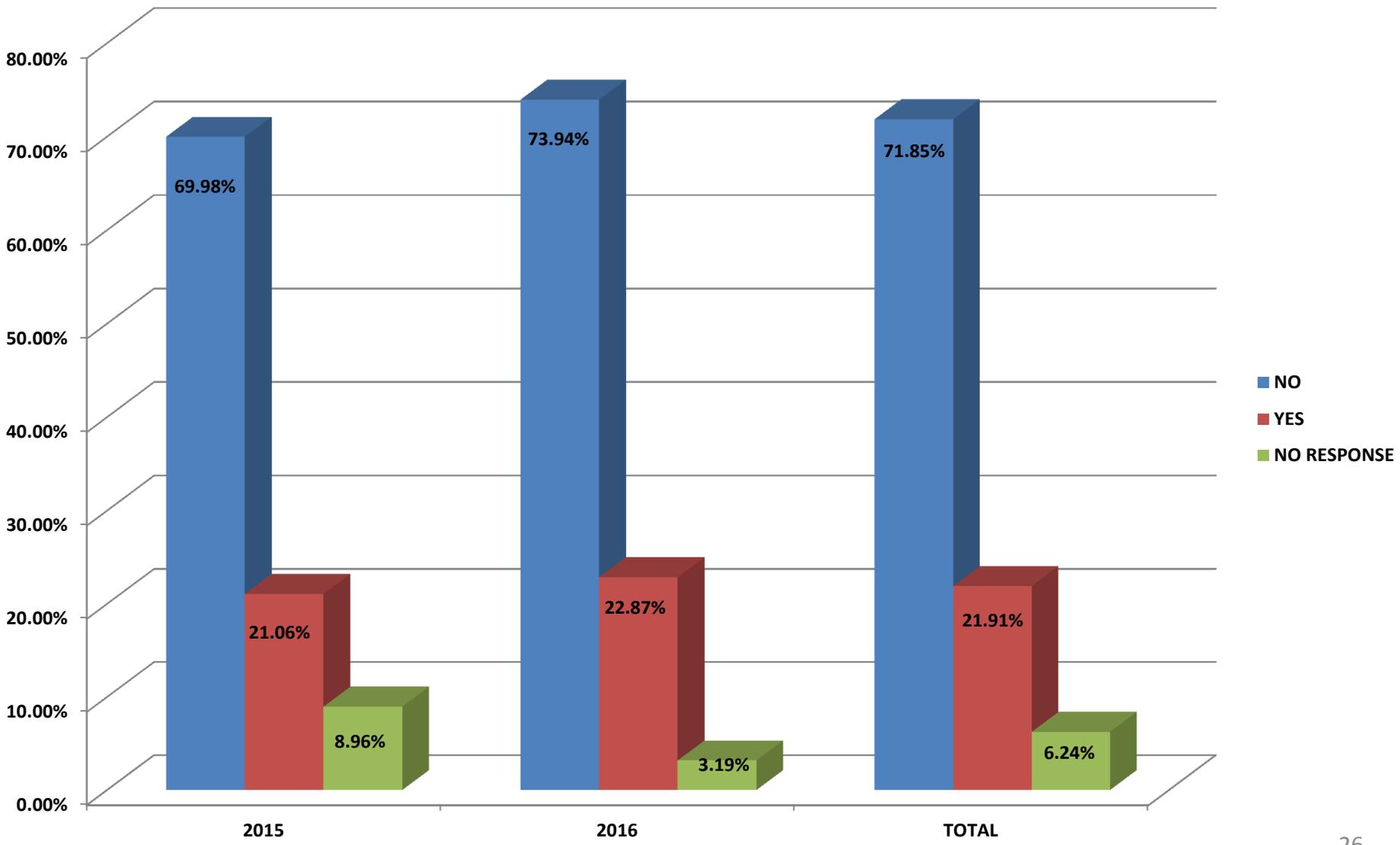
■ DID NOT COMPLETE TREATMENT   
 ■ COMPLETED TREATMENT   
 ■ DO NOT KNOW   
 ■ NO RESPONSE



### LIFETIME HISTORY OF ARREST BY YEAR



# DIAGNOSED PSYCHIATRIC DISORDER



# PLACEMENT AFTER ASSESSMENT DISTRIBUTED BY YEAR

