

**1988** **13.6%**  
**January**  
 The first Quest Diagnostics Drug Testing Index is published

**April**  
 The Drug-Free Workplace Act is signed into law by President Ronald Reagan on November 18, 1988



**November**  
 Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988 is passed

**1990** **11.0%**  
**January**  
**National Collegiate Athletic Association adopts year-round drug testing policy**



**April**  
 Congress passes the Anabolic Steroids Control Act

**1992** **8.8%**  
**January**  
 Drug Testing Index showed 1 of every 6 transportation workers who were tested for reasonable suspicion tested positive



**1994** **11.0%**  
**January**  
**Quest Diagnostics offers hair drug testing**



**September**  
 Marijuana metabolite screening cutoff is lowered from 100 to 50 ng/mL

**December**  
 Breath alcohol testing added to obtain a commercial driver's license

**1996** **5.8%**  
**September**  
 Drug Importer Death Penalty Act is established

**November**  
**California legalizes growing and use of marijuana for medical purposes**



**1989** **12.7%**  
**March**  
**Skinner vs. Railway Labor Executives Association upholds the constitutionality of drug testing railroad employees**



**October**  
 Drug testing policies implemented at major corporations

**1991** **8.8%**  
**January**  
 Congress passes the Omnibus Employee Drug Testing Act



**1993** **8.4%**  
**November**  
 Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act Amendment is passed

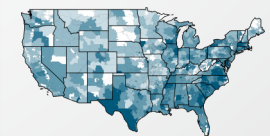


**1995** **6.7%**  
**March**  
 Marijuana remains America's favorite illicit drug

**June**  
**Vernonia School District 47J vs. Acton upholds random testing of student athletes**



**1997** **5.0%**  
**January**  
 Drug Testing Index enhanced its reporting, allowing for specimen type and regional trends



**Year  
 Month**

**Positivity rates**

Annual positivity rates for the combined U.S. workforce

# 30 years of the Quest Diagnostics Drug Testing Index™

**1998**

4.8%

**January**  
Drug Enforcement Administration focuses on drug eradication

**December**  
Opiate cutoff was raised from 300 to 2000 ng/mL for greater drug detection



**2000**

5.8%

**October**  
Drug Addiction Treatment Act is introduced



**December**  
Transportation workers get greater drug test protection

**2002**

4.4%

**June**  
Drug Testing Index finds workplace drug use decreased after 9/11



**2004**

4.5%

**January**  
Illegal drug use increases to 200 million people worldwide according to the United Nations



**2006**

3.8%

**January**  
Mexican government cracks down on drug trafficking

**March**  
Combat Methamphetamine Epidemic Act is established



**2008**

3.6%

**March**  
Workplace drug use is at its lowest level since 1988



**August**  
U.S. Department of Transportation publishes final rules on specimen validity testing, making it harder to cheat a urine drug test

**1999**

4.6%

**November**  
Michigan begins random drug testing welfare recipients

**World Anti-Doping Agency is established**



**2001**

4.6%

**January**  
U.S. Health and Human Services provides regulatory guidance for specimen validity testing



**2003**

4.5%

**January**  
Drug Testing Index finds the incidence of amphetamine positivity has grown by 70% over the past five years



**2005**

4.1%

**May**  
President Bush moves to shut down National Drug Intelligence Center



**2007**

3.8%

**August**  
Drug Testing Index finds cocaine use at 10-year low among U.S. workers



4.2%

## 2016

May

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration published a rule about electronic reporting of workplace injuries causing confusion about post-accident testing

June

**Drug Enforcement Agency alerts the public of threat of heroin in the U.S.**



August

Marijuana remains a Schedule I controlled substance after two petitions to reschedule the drug are denied

## 2018

May

Quest Diagnostics Drug Testing Index celebrates its 30th anniversary



3.5%

## 2012

January

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration accepts Drug Testing Advisory Board recommendations to add oral fluid and expanded opiate testing to regulated testing

November

**Colorado and Washington are the first U.S. states to legalize the recreational use of marijuana**



3.9%

## 2014

February

Drug overdose is the leading cause of accidental death in the U.S.



3.5%

## 2010

January

**Drug Testing Index shows post-accident tests find opiates up to four times more than pre-employment tests**



October

Cocaine and amphetamine cutoff changes added to federally-mandated drug testing panel

4.2%

## 2017

May

Drug Testing Index reports that drug positivity has hit a 12-year high

October

**Opioid crisis is declared a national public health emergency by the Trump Administration**



4.0%

## 2015

April

Electronic Custody and Control Form (eCCF) is approved for regulated drug testing



3.7%

## 2013

August

The Cole Memo states that the Obama Administration will not challenge state marijuana laws as long as states maintain strict rules involving sales and distribution of marijuana



3.5%

## 2011

January

Quest Diagnostics creates Drug Testing ROI Calculator

October

**Quest Diagnostics introduces Oral-Eze® Oral Fluid Collection System**



3.6%

## 2009

October

First large-scale study of same-donor hair and urine results presented by Dr. Barry Sample at the Society of Forensic Toxicologists meeting

