



South Carolina

# Addiction in America

## HEROIN

According to a 2011 national survey **4.2 million** Americans ages 12 or older had used heroin at least ONCE in their lifetimes.

## COCAINE

Cocaine abuse leads to **nearly half** of all drug-related emergency room visits.

**Nearly  
75%**

of people who try cocaine will become addicted to it.

## METHAMPHETAMINE

According to federal estimates, more than

**12 million**



Americans have tried methamphetamine and **1.5 million** are regular users.

## PRESCRIPTION DRUGS



Overdoses of prescription drugs **kill more people** than overdoses from all other drugs combined, including cocaine and heroin.

## ALCOHOL



Binge drinking is the most common way people abuse alcohol. One in every six American adults **binge drinks roughly 4 times a month**, consuming an average of **8 drinks per binge**.